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Prize fund in the hands of the Treasurer		
of Harvard University \$	1 50.00	
Balance in the hands of the Treasurer of		
the Dante Society, May 16, 1893	176.26	
Received from assessments	239.80	
Received from sales of Reports	1.00	
_		\$567.06
Printing of Twelfth Annual Report	\$97.50	
Paid Harvard College Library	00.001	
Printing, stationery and postage	16.43	
Prize fund	1 50.00	
Balance on hand	203.13	
		\$567.06

MAY 15, 1894.

BY-LAWS.

- 1. This Society shall be called the Dante Society. Its object shall be the encouragement of the study of the Life and Works of Dante.
- 2. Any person desirous to become a member of this Society may do so by signifying his or her wish in writing to the Secretary, and by the payment of an annual fee of five dollars.
- 3. An Annual Meeting for the election of officers shall be held at Cambridge on the third Tuesday of May, of which due notice shall be given to the members by the Secretary.
- 4. Special meetings may be held at any time appointed by vote of the members at the Annual Meeting, or by call from the President and Secretary.
- 5. The officers shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and Treasurer, and a Librarian, who, together with three members thereto chosen, shall form the Council of the Society. All these officers shall be chosen at the Annual Meeting, and their term of service shall be for one year, or until their successors are elected. Vacancies in the Council shall be filled for the remainder of the year by the Council.
- 6. The President, or, in his absence, the Vice-President, or, in the absence of both, any member of the Council, shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Council.
- 7. The Secretary and Treasurer shall keep a record of the meetings of the Society and of the Council, shall collect and receive all dues, and keep accounts of the income and expenditure of the Society, shall give notice of meetings, and shall perform all other duties appropriate to his office.

- 8. The Council shall hold meetings at such times as it may appoint, shall determine on the use to be made of the income of the Society, shall endeavor to promote the special objects of the Society in such ways as may seem most appropriate, and shall make an annual report of their proceedings, including a full statement of accounts, at each Annual Meeting. This report shall be made in print for distribution to the members.
- 9. No officer of the Society shall be competent to contract debts in the name of the Society, and no expenditure shall be made without a vote of the Council.
- 10. A majority of the Council shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 11. Any person distinguished for his interest in the purposes of the Society, or who has rendered it valuable service, may be chosen an Honorary Member at any regular meeting of the Society, and shall be entitled to all its privileges without annual assessment.
- 12. The preceding rules may be changed at any time by unanimous vote of the Council.

THE DANTE PRIZE.

IN MEMORIAM CHARLES STERRETT LATHAM.

The prize offered for 1889–90 was awarded to Mr. C. S. LATHAM, of the class of 1884, A. B. Harv. 1888, for a translation of the Letters of Dante with a historical and critical comment. Mr. Latham died on July 21, 1890. He did not live to learn the award of the prize.

In accordance with the desire of his mother, the prize adjudged to him of one hundred dollars is now offered again to be competed for. The competition is open not only to the students in any department of Harvard University, and to Harvard graduates of not more than three years' standing, but also to students and graduates, of similar standing, of any college or university in the United States.

The annual prize of one hundred dollars offered by a member of the Dante Society for the best essay by a student in any department of Harvard University, or by a graduate of not more than three years' standing, on a subject connected with the Life or Works of Dante, is withdrawn for the present, but the offer will be renewed after the award of the Latham Prize.

For the year 1894-95, the subjects proposed are as follows:

- 1. Dante's influence upon Spanish literature during the 15th and 16th centuries.
- 2. A critical study of the lyrical poems attributed to Dante, but not included in the Vita Nuova and the Convito.

3. The influence of mediaeval conceptions upon Dante's estimate of the ancient authors.

Essays must be deposited with the Dean of Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass., on or before the first day of May, 1895.

Essayists are at liberty to write on any one of the subjects which have been proposed for the eight years during which the Dante Prize has been offered.

On the title page must be written an assumed name and a statement of the writer's standing, *i.e.*, whether he is a graduate or an undergraduate (and of what college or university); if he is an undergraduate, to what class he belongs, and to what department of the college or university. Under cover with the essay must be sent a sealed letter, containing the true name and address of the writer, and superscribed with his assumed name.

The essays must be written upon letter paper, of good quality, of the quarto size, with a margin of not less than one inch at the top, at the bottom, and on each side, so that they may be bound up without injury to the writing. The sheets on which the essay is written must be securely stitched together.

The judges of the essays are a committee of the Dante Society.

In case the judges decide that no essay submitted to them deserves the full prize, they are at liberty to award one or two prizes of fifty dollars, or to award no prize.

The Dante Society has the privilege of retaining and depositing in the Dante collection of the Harvard College Library, any or all essays offered in competition for the Dante Prize, whether successful or not.

ANNUAL REPORT.

THE annual meeting of the Society in May, 1894, was largely devoted to the discussion of the present condition and prospects of the study of Dante in English-speaking countries, and of the possibilities of more extended usefulness for the Society itself. There was never a time when study of the poet was more general in England and America, or when more and better equipped scholars were undertaking the interpretation of him. The recent experiments in translating him into English have been numerous; and many of them are of a high degree of interest. Furthermore, the appliances for the study of his works, both scholarly and, so to say, mechanical, are rapidly multiplying and improving among us. It is significant that the first attempt to print in a single volume a complete and trustworthy text of all the works ascribed to Dante should be that of an Englishman, the Rev. Dr. Edward Moore, now in the press. It is also interesting that an American university (Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.) should during the past year have received, through the liberality of Prof. Willard Fiske,

one of the most important collections of books on Dante in the world. This, with the Dante Society's own collection, in the Harvard College Library, gives American scholars unsurpassed opportunities for the prosecution of their studies.

In view of these facts, it is desirable that all appropriate means should be employed by the Dante Society to further the purposes for which it was originally organized. It has already done much for Dante studies in America. The mere association in its membership of several of the most eminent Dante scholars this country has had, has been a useful influence. Furthermore, its Annual Report, with the usual accompaniments of a piece of scholarly work upon Dante and of a Dante bibliography, has been of great service. The Dante prize, offered by a member, and administered by the Society, has attracted a number of cultivated young persons to the study of the poet. The Dante collection in the Harvard College Library, already mentioned, a collection established and largely maintained by the Society,—has been at once useful to scholars, and impressive as affording ocular evidence of the preciousness of Dante to many generations of men. And, finally, the Society has been able to provide for, or to give aid towards the publication of several works on Dante of permanent importance, — notably, Dr. Fay's Concordance of the Divina Commedia, and Mr. Latham's Translation of Dante's Letters.

It is to be hoped that the activity and influence of the Society in all these ways may be maintained and increased. Especially is it desirable that the Society's efforts in the way of publication and of fostering publication on Dante in English should be considerably greater in the future than in the past. Here is a large field of usefulness, already partially occupied by the Society, but in which much remains to be done. One important task has already been undertaken by members of the Society, and only the work of arranging and editing the materials has to be completed in order to proceed to print. This is a concordance to the lesser Italian works of Dante, similar in plan to Dr. Fay's Concordance. The cards for this are all made out, and are now in the hands of the Secretary. A similar undertaking, which it is to be hoped we may be able to carry through in the near future, is a concordance to the Latin works. Other projects of great prospective utility to students of Dante have already been suggested. Such are: the systematic publication, with English translations, of the vision-literature of the Middle Ages; the publication of extracts from the works of the Schoolmen and of the Chroniclers, illustrative of Dante; a revision of Blanc's Vocabolario Dantesco; the publication both of special researches and of treatises of larger scope, throwing light upon phases of Dante's life and work, and showing his influence upon European thought and art.

For the carrying out of these projects, however, it is indispensable that a larger income than the Society now has should be at its disposal. As the annual statements of the Treasurer have shown, the sums hitherto received in annual fees have sufficed only for the publication of the Annual Report and for the maintenance of the Dante Collection in the Harvard College Library. It is very desirable that by additional membership the income of the Society shall be so increased that at least one volume a year may be issued in addition to the Report. The Council has now made a favorable arrangement with the publishing house of Ginn & Co., Boston, for the issue, at a fair profit to the Society, of whatever it may wish to print. The Council believe that in time the sale of its publications will to some extent help defray the expense of new volumes. At first, however, the cost of these must be met by the Society; and, as is well known, the returns from books of the proposed character are somewhat slow. For the successful undertaking of the proposed plans, therefore, the number of members of the Society ought to be greatly increased. The Council feel little doubt that energetic action by the present members would speedily result in the desired addition to our membership, and that the Society could thus be enabled to accomplish more successfully the objects for which it exists.

The report is accompanied this year by an Index of Proper Names in the Prose Works and Canzoniere of Dante, contributed by a member of the Society, Paget Toynbee, Esq.; and by a list of books and articles in periodicals, relating to Dante, received at the Harvard College Library during the year ending May 1, 1894. As will be seen, many of these additions to the Society's collection have been given by their authors. To these, and to other benefactors of the Society, it desires to express publicly its gratitude.

ARTHUR RICHMOND MARSH, Secretary.

For the Council of the Dante Society.



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MAY 1, 1893 — MAY 1, 1894.

Articles in periodicals cannot of course be placed on the shelves of the Dante collection, unless received separately in duplicate, but they are included in the following list. Purchases made with the money of the Dante Society are marked with an asterisk [*].

WORKS OF DANTE.

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Printed in imitation of the Aldine Dante. The notes are founded on those of Alessandro Vellutello.

*La divina commedia con le note di *Paolo Costa*, e gli argomenti dell' ab. *G. Borghi*; ed una vita appositamente scritta dal prof. Melchior Missirini. 2ª ed. originale italiana eseguita sotto la direzione dei proff. *G. B. Niccolini* e *G. Bezzuoli*. 3 tom. Firenze, Fabris. 1840-42. 8°. *Vigns*. and wdets.

Tom. ii. and iii. are "12 ed." The "Vita" is published separately without volume number.

- *La divina commedia; con il commento di *Tommaso Casini*. 3ª ed., riveduta e corretta. Firenze, G. C. Sansoni. 1892. 8°. pp. xiv, 820.
- Dante's pilgrim's progress; or, 'The passage of the blessed soul from the slavery of the present corruption to the liberty of eternal glory.' With notes on the way by *Emelia Russell Gurney*. London, Elliot Stock. 1893. 8°. pp. xvi, 421. Front. and chromolith.

This work is composed of fragments of the Divina commedia with illustrative notes and remarks. The frontispiece is a photograph of Domenico il

Michelino's fresco in the Duomo at Florence. The chromo-lithograph "depicts the three conditions of the heart of Man." Reviewed in the *Speaker*, Jan. 20, 1894. Gift of Professor Norton.

*Divine comedy. A version in the nine-line metre of Spenser by George Musgrave. The Inferno. London. 1893. sm. 8°. Plan. pp. xxiv, 247.

[The same. London. 1893.] sm. 8°. pp. 234.

Advance sheets, given by Professor Norton.

*The divine comedy translated into English verse by T. W. Parsons. With a preface by C. E. Norton and a memorial sketch [of Dr. Parsons] by Louise Imogen Guiney. Boston, etc. 1893. sm. 8°. pp. xix, 353.

"The translation of the Purgatory [is] incomplete, and that of the Paradise little more than begun."

*The comedy of Dante Alighieri rendered into English [prose] by Sir Edward Sullivan, bart. Hell. London. 1893. 8°. pp. ix, 180.

Paradiso, canto xvii. Cacciaguida's prophecy of Dante's banishment. [Translated by *Basil Tempest.*] (The week, Toronto, Dec. 15, 1893.)

Gift of W. P. Garrison, Esq.

The Vita nuova [with an introduction by Ralph Radeliffe-White-head, and appendix of sonnets and poems by Dante and others]. London, Chiswick press. 1892. sm. 4°. pp. (10), 194. Front. Gift of the editor.

*La vita nuova. With notes and comments, in English, by N. Perini. London, Hachette & Co. 1893. sm. 8°. pp. ix, 95.

WORKS ON DANTE.

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Amati, Amato. I proemi nella Divina commedia. (Atti e memorie della r. accademia di scienze, lettere ed arti in Padova, 1891, nuova serie, vii. 155-171.)

Ampère, Jean Jacques. In the footsteps of Dante. Translated by Emma B. Bates. 1889. 4°. ff. (8), 237+. Port. of Dante and many other photographs and sketches inserted. Manuscript.

Gift of the translator, a member of the Dante Society.

Ancona, Aless. d', and Bacci, Orazio. Dante Alighieri. (In their Manuale della letteratura italiana, 1892-93, 8°, i. 185-289.)

Antognoni, Oreste. Il dolore di Cavalcante (Nuova antologia, 1 marzo, 1894, exxxiv. 5-25.)

Bacci, Peleo. "Uno Dante" nel catasto pistoiese del 1415. Pistoia. 1893. 16°. pp. 23.

Gift of the author.

Edizione di 100 esemplari.

- *[Bambaglioli, Graziolo DE'.] Il commento più antico e la più antica versione latina dell' Inferno di Dante dal codice di Sandaniele del Friuli; [con le aggiunte e varianti del senese precedute da una lettera di Carlo Witte]. Per cura del prof. Antonio Fiammazzo. Udine. 1892. l. 8°. pp. xvii, (5), 160. (Accademia di Udine.)
- *Barbero, E. Indice alfabetico della Divina commedia, giusta il testo curato dal cav. G. Campi. Torino. 1893. 8°. pp. xvi, 173.
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- Barbi, Mich. Contributi alla biografia di Dante; documenti relativi ai debiti di Dante, sulla dimora di Dante a Forli. Firenze. 1893. 8°. pp. 24.

Estr. dal Bullettino della società dantesca ital., n. 8. febbr. 1892. Gift of the author.

Barrili, Anton Giulio. Da Virgilio a Dante: lezioni universitarie, Genova. 1892. sm. 8°.

Chapter on Dante, pp. 409-435.

Belloni, Ant. Sopra un passo dell' ecloga responsiva di Giovanni del Virgilio a Dante. (Giorn. stor. della lett. italiana, 1893, xxii. 354-372.)

*Berger, Friedrich. Dantes lehre vom gemeinwesen. Berlin. 1891.

"Wissenschaftliche beilage zum programm der ersten höheren bürgerschule zu Berlin, 1891."

*Berthier, Joachim J. Béatrice Portinari. Livr. i. Fribourg (Suisse), etc. 1893. l. 8°. Illustr.

To be published in 6 livraisons.

*Berti, Candido. Il disdegno di Guido Cavalcanti per Vergilio nella critica dantesca. Milano, etc. 1890. 16°. pp. 29.

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*Bonanni, Teod. Il cantico al sole di Francesco d'Assisi, comentato nella Divina commedia di Dante Alighieri. Aquila. 1890. 8°.

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Buscaino-Campo, Alb. Ancora del piè fermo di Dante. (Il lambruschini, 1893, iii. 37-40.)

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PROSE WORKS AND CANZONIERE OF DANTE.

THE index here printed was prepared by me for the purposes of my forthcoming *Dante Dictionary*, Part I. of which will comprise the articles dealing with the Proper Names in Dante's Works. No complete index to the Prose Works and *Canzoniere* has yet been printed; it is hoped, therefore, that the present one may, pending the publication of the Dictionary, supply a want that has long been felt by students of Dante.

The references are to Giuliani's editions (published at Florence by Le Monnier) of the several works, viz. Vita Nuova (V. N.) and Canzoniere (Canz.), 1868; Convito (Conv.), 1874; De Vulgari Eloquentia (V. E.), and De Monarchia (Mon.), 1878; Epistolae (Epist.), Eclogae (Ecl.), and Quaestio de Aqua et Terra (A. T.), 1882. By the help of the subjoined table the index may be used equally well with Fraticelli's edition (published in three volumes at Florence by Barbèra) of the Opere Minori di D. A. (Vol. I. Canz., Ecl.; 3d ed. 1873.—Vol. II. V. N., V. E., Mon., A. T.; 3d ed. 1873.—Vol. III. Conv., Epist.; 5th ed. 1879). The most important difference between the two editions is in the arrangement of the Canzoniere, which is printed as a whole by Fraticelli, with consecutive numbering for each different form of poem, while Giuliani divides it into three parts. Except in a few instances (indicated below) the remaining works are identical, so far as references are concerned, in the two editions.

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Canz. III. Son. ii. Sonetto xli. ('Poich' io non trovo chi meco ragioni.')

Canz. III. Son. iii. Sonetto xl. ('Io mi credea del tutto esser partito.')

Canz. IV.4 Son. i. Sonetto xxxv. ('Chi guarderà giammai senza paura.')

¹ The *De Monarchia* is divided into Books and Chapters by Giuliani; into Books and Sections (corresponding, except in the above instances, to Giuliani's chapters) by Fraticelli.

² This comparative table includes only those poems of the *Canzoniere* to which reference is made in the index.

⁸ N. B. — Lines 148-158 of this canzone are omitted in Giuliani's edition.

⁴ I thus indicate Giuliani's Appendice al Canzoniere (pp. 353-367), which contains the doubtful poems.

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(' Da quella luce che il suo corso gira.')	
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('Lo re che merta i suoi servi a ristoro.')	
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(' Donne ch' avete intelletto d' amore.')	
V. N. § 20. Son	Sonetto x.
('Amore e cor gentil sono una cosa.')	
V. N. § 22. Son. i	Sonetto xii.
('Voi che portate la sembianza umile.')	
V. N. § 32. Canz	Canzone vi.
('Gli occhi dolenti per pietà del core.')	
V. N. § 41. Son	Sonetto xxx.
('Deh peregrini che pensosi andate.')	
V. N. § 42. Son	Sonetto xxxi.
('Oltre la spera che più larga gira.')	
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VI. 5; VII. (tit.); Tuscani, V. E.
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By C. E. Norton.

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By E. Moore.

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BY-LAWS.

- 1. This Society shall be called the Dante Society. Its object shall be the encouragement of the study of the Life and Works of Dante.
- 2. Any person desirous to become a member of this Society may do so by signifying his or her wish in writing to the Secretary, and by the payment of an annual fee of five dollars.
- 3. An Annual Meeting for the election of officers shall be held at Cambridge on the third Tuesday of May, of which due notice shall be given to the members by the Secretary.
- 4. Special meetings may be held at any time appointed by vote of the members at the Annual Meeting, or by call from the President and Secretary.
- 5. The officers shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and Treasurer, and a Librarian, who, together with three members thereto chosen, shall form the Council of the Society. All these officers shall be chosen at the Annual Meeting, and their term of service shall be for one year, or until their successors are elected. Vacancies in the Council shall be filled for the remainder of the year by the Council.
- 6. The President, or, in his absence, the Vice-President, or, in the absence of both, any member of the Council, shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Council.
- 7. The Secretary and Treasurer shall keep a record of the meetings of the Society and of the Council, shall collect and receive all dues, and keep accounts of the income and expenditure of the Society, shall give notice of meetings, and shall perform all other duties appropriate to his office.

- 8. The Council shall hold meetings at such times as it may appoint, shall determine on the use to be made of the income of the Society, shall endeavor to promote the special objects of the Society in such ways as may seem most appropriate, and shall make an annual report of their proceedings, including a full statement of accounts, at each Annual Meeting. This report shall be made in print for distribution to the members.
- 9. No officer of the Society shall be competent to contract debts in the name of the Society, and no expenditure shall be made without a vote of the Council.
- 10. A majority of the Council shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 11. Any person distinguished for his interest in the purposes of the Society, or who has rendered it valuable service, may be chosen an Honorary Member at any regular meeting of the Society, and shall be entitled to all its privileges without annual assessment. The number of Honorary Members, however, shall not at any time exceed six.
- 12. The preceding rules may be changed at any time by unanimous vote of the Council.

THE DANTE PRIZE.

IN MEMORIAM CHARLES STERRETT LATHAM.

The prize offered for 1889-90 was awarded to Mr. C. S. LATHAM, of the class of 1884, A. B. Harv. 1888, for a translation of the Letters of Dante with a historical and critical comment. Mr. Latham died on July 21, 1890. He did not live to learn the award of the prize.

In accordance with the desire of his mother, the prize adjudged to him of one hundred dollars is now offered again to be competed for. The competition is open not only to the students in any department of Harvard University, and to Harvard graduates of not more than three years' standing, but also to students and graduates, of similar standing, of any college or university in the United States.

The annual prize of one hundred dollars offered by a member of the Dante Society for the best essay by a student in any department of Harvard University, or by a graduate of not more than three years' standing, on a subject connected with the Life or Works of Dante, is withdrawn for the present, but the offer will be renewed after the award of the Latham Prize.

For the year 1896-97 the subjects proposed are as follows:

- 1. Dante's obligations to Provençal and Old French poetry.
- 2. A discussion of the origin and character of Dante's philosophy of love.
- 3. A study of the existing translations of the Divine Comedy into English verse.

Essays must be deposited with the Dean of Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass., on or before the *first Day of May*, 1896.

Essayists are at liberty to write on any one of the subjects which have been proposed for the nine years during which the Dante Prize has been offered.

On the title-page must be written an assumed name and a statement of the writer's standing, i.e., whether he is a graduate or an undergraduate (and of what college or university); if he is an undergraduate, to what class he belongs, and to what department of the college or university. Under cover with the essay must be sent a sealed letter, containing the true name and address of the writer, and superscribed with his assumed name.

The essays must be written upon letter paper, of good quality, of the quarto size, with a margin of not less than one inch at the top, at the bottom, and on each side, so that they may be bound up without injury to the writing. The sheets on which the essay is written must be securely stitched together.

The judges of the essays are a committee of the Dante Society.

In case the judges decide that no essay submitted to them deserves the full prize, they are at liberty to award one or two prizes of fifty dollars, or to award no prize.

The Dante Society has the privilege of retaining and depositing in the Dante collection of the Harvard College Library any or all essays offered in competition for the Dante Prize, whether successful or not.

ANNUAL REPORT.

In the Thirteenth Annual Report of the Society, attention was called to the desirability of increasing considerably the membership, with a view to accomplishing more in the way of publication. It is the opinion of those acquainted with the condition of Dante studies in the United States and in England, that the Society could easily have at its disposal a much larger number of scholarly contributions to the subject of Dante's life and work, of greater or less scope, if it had the means to print them. In spite of all that has been done by students, many sides of the poet are still in need of illustration, and many tools for the adequate study of him must be perfected or supplied in their entirety. It should also be the aim of the Society to further the better knowledge and use of already existing materials. Accordingly, its publications ought to contain, on the one hand, what is of value to the technical Dantist; and, on the other, what will help cultivated persons desirous of familiarizing themselves with the best that has been thought and

said about the poet, to an easier and more complete attainment of their end. To accomplish these objects, however, much more money is required than is now available for the use of the Council. The appeal in the last Report resulted in a slight increase in membership, though far from commensurate with what had been hoped. The Council desires again to emphasize the necessity of earnest coöperation for the enlargement of the Society, on the part of all its present members.

The prize annually offered by the Society through the generosity of one of its members, for an essay upon a subject connected with Dante, is regularly competed for by one or more persons. It is to be regretted, however, that the competition is not taken part in by students outside of Cambridge. As will be seen by reference to the terms of the competition, printed on pages 12-13, the prize is now open to students, or graduates of not more than three years' standing, of any college or university in the United States. Furthermore, competitors may write not only on the subjects proposed for the ensuing year, but also on any subject that has been proposed during the nine years in which the prize has been offered. That the members of the Society may see what has been the nature of these subjects, a list of them, from the beginning, is here printed. Those that have been written upon are marked with an asterisk [*].

For the year 1886-87:

- *1. A translation into English of Dante's Letters, with explanatory and historical comments.
- 2. On the individual characteristics and comparative importance of the commentators of the Fourteenth Century on the Divine Comedy.
- *3. Dante's obligations to the schoolmen, especially to Thomas Aquinas.
 - 4. A study of the allegory of the last six cantos of the Purgatory.
- 5. On those characteristics of Dante's style, whether of thought or language, which distinguish him from his contemporaries or immediate predecessors in Italy or France.

For the year 1887-88:

- *1. Interpretation and reconciliation of the different accounts of his experiences after the death of Beatrice, given by Dante in the Vita Nuova and the Convito.
 - 2. Dante's obligations to Aristotle.
- 3. The range and extent of Dante's acquaintance with the ancient classics.
- *4. A translation, with comment, of Dante's Quaestio de Aqua et Terra.
- 5. The characteristics and respective value of Scartazzini's and Lubin's editions of the Divine Comedy.

For the year 1888-89:

- 1. The influence of Dante upon the political development of Italy during the present century.
- 2. The character of the Comment on the Divine Comedy of Benvenuto da Imola, and the contribution to Dantesque studies made by its first complete publication in the Vernon edition, 1887.
- 3. A translation, and a discussion of the genuineness, of the letter of Frate Ilario.
- 4. Dante's conception of the nature of the body in the spiritual realms.
- 5. On the genuineness and authenticity of the Chronicle of Dino Compagni, and its value in illustration of Dante's life.

For the year 1889-90:

1. A description of Florence, and an account of the life of the Florentines, including their education and arts, in the last quarter of the Thirteenth Century.

- 2. A study of the circumstances that led to the banishment of Dante, and a collection of the documents relating to it.
- 3. The trustworthiness of Boccaccio's Life of Dante, and of the other accounts of him given by writers of the Fourteenth Century.
- 4. A critical study of the Canzoniere of Dante; its composition, the relation of the poems contained in it to Dante's other works, and a discussion of the genuineness of those doubtfully ascribed to him.

For the years 1890-91, 1891-92:

- 1. The result of the critical studies of the text of the Divina Commedia by Witte, Moore, and Täuber.
- 2. The indebtedness of Dante to Brunetto Latini, as indicated by passages or references in the Divine Comedy and the Convito that may have been derived from, or suggested by, passages in the Tresor and the Tesoretto.
- *3. The rise of the dolce stil nuovo and its development up to the time of Dante.
- *4. The personal character of Dante as learned from his writings.

For the years 1892-93, 1893-94:

- 1. A comparison of Dante's system of sins in Hell and Purgatory and an explanation of its apparent differences in the two realms.
- 2. Who was the Matilda of the earthly Paradise, and what is her allegorical and symbolical character?
- *3. The acquaintance of English writers from Chaucer to Gray with the Divine Comedy.

For the year 1894-95:

- *1. Dante's influence upon Spanish literature during the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Centuries.
 - 2. A critical study of the lyrical poems attributed to Dante, but not included in the Vita Nuova and the Convito.
 - 3. The influence of mediæval conceptions upon Dante's estimate of the ancient authors.

For the year 1895-96:

1. Recent studies of the text of Dante, — especially those of Witte, Moore, and Täuber.

2. The allegory of the eighth and ninth cantos of the Inferno: the City of Dis, its demons, Furies, Medusa, the opposition to the entrance of the Poets; the heavenly messenger.

*3. Petrarch's personal and literary attitude towards Dante.

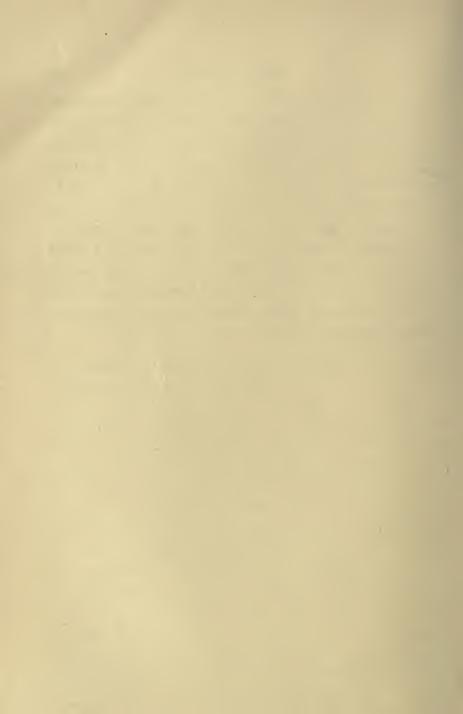
It will be seen that the subjects set for the Society's prize are such as to require of those who compete a scholarly investigation of some really important aspect of Dante's work. In general, the essays handed in have shown careful and thoughtful study of the problems discussed, and often a very creditable acquaintance with the best recent Dante literature, as well as with the poet himself. The Council believes, therefore, that the influence of the prize is valuable, and that it would be of great advantage to extend it to a larger number of young scholars.

A word of explanation is due the Society for the long delay in issuing this Report. By vote of the Society, at its Annual Meeting in May, 1894, the Reports are hereafter to be sent out in the autumn of each year, instead of in the early summer. For the autumn of 1895, the Secretary was directed to print in the Report, as a supplementary paper, a study of Dante scholarship in America, accompanied by a bibliography, promised by Mr. Theo. W. Koch, a member of the Society. Owing to unavoidable delays, Mr. Koch did not succeed in completing his paper, and at last it became necessary to postpone the publication of it till another year. The gap thus left has been filled by the Presi-

dent of the Society, Professor Norton, who has prepared a series of extracts from the little-known chronicle of Fra Salimbene, which illustrate passages in the Divine Comedy. The Report is accompanied further by a note upon the text of the Vita Nuova, by the Rev. Dr. E. Moore, reprinted from the London Academy; and by the usual bibliography of books and articles relating to Dante, received at the Harvard College Library during the year ending May 1, 1895. The Society desires to express its gratitude for many contributions to its collection of Dante books, made both by authors and by other benefactors.

ARTHUR RICHMOND MARSH, Secretary.

For the Council of the Dante Society.



ILLUSTRATIONS OF THE DIVINE COMEDY FROM THE CHRONICLE OF FRA SALIMBENE.

The Chronica Fr. Salimbene Parmensis Ordinis Minorum were first published at Parma in 1857, from a manuscript in the Vatican.¹

The book contains a record of the years from 1212 to 1287, and was mainly written in 1283-7 when the author was between sixty and seventy years old. It has in great part the character of an autobiographical narrative, with many digressions in regard to the public events of the time and accounts of notable personages. The motive which led the friar to compose it was to give his niece Agnes an account of her family, and some knowledge of the happenings in the world. "Nos aliter historias narrare non possumus nisi sicut de facto fuerunt, et vidimus oculis nostris tempore Imperii Friderici, et post mortem ejus annis multis, usque ad dies nostros, in quibus scribimus haec anno Domini MCCLXXXIIII. Ego quoque scribendo diversas chronicas, simplici et intelligibili stylo usus sum, ut neptis mea, cui scribebam, posset intelligere quod legebat; nec fuit mihi cura de verborum ornatu, sed tantum de veritate historiae conscribendae. Neptis autem mea soror Agnes est, filia fratris mei, quae cum pervenit ad bivium pytagoricae litterae, monasterium parmense est ingressa ordinis sanctae Clarae, et usque in hodiernum diem perseverat in servitio Jesu Christi." p. 67.

Salimbene's Latin is far from classical, but it has no scholastic rigidity; it is careless, fluent, limpid, the natural expression of a simple, vivacious and sincere character. In its clear revelation of the writer's personality the narrative illustrates not only his own disposition but that of his contemporaries, and the general intellectual and moral conditions of the period. It is thus one of the most

¹ In 4to, pp. xvi, 424, forming a volume in the series of Monumenta Historica ad Provincias Parmensem et Placentinam pertinentia.

instructive records of life in Italy during the thirteenth century, while from the vivid pictures of incidents, and from the admirable delineations of persons with which it abounds it is one of the most entertaining books of the Middle Ages. It reveals a childlike naïveté and simplicity of emotion and expression, combined with acuteness of discrimination and a wide range of experience. In a word it has the charm of nature, and depicts a time of sharp contrasts in life and character, of keen intelligence and profound ignorance, of inquisitive curiosity and trust in authority, of reason and superstition, of tenderness and cruelty, of splendor and squalor, of immense energy displayed alike in noble achievement and in extravagant folly.

The Chronicle exhibits, as perhaps no other book does in equal measure, the aspects of the life of which the Divine Comedy was the final expression, and it also affords many illustrations of special passages of the poem. As these are not to be found, so far as I know, in any of the Comments, and as the Chronicle is not generally accessible I have thought that a selection of them would be of interest to the student of Dante's work.

C. E. NORTON.

Inferno, x, 118-120.

Dissemi: "Qui con più di mille giaccio: Qua dentro è lo secondo Federico, E il Cardinale, e degli altri mi taccio."

Nota quod Fridericus quasi semper dilexit habere discordiam cum Ecclesia, et eam multipliciter impugnavit, quae nutrierat eum, defenderat et exaltaverat. De fide Dei nihil habebat: callidus homo fuit, versutus, avarus, luxuriosus, malitiosus, iracundus; et valens homo fuit interdum quando voluit bonitates et curialitates suas ostendere; solatiosus, jocundus, delitiosus, industriosus; legere, scribere et cantare sciebat, et cantilenas et cantiones invenire: pulcher homo et bene formatus, sed mediae staturae fuit. Vidi enim eum et aliquando dilexi, nam pro me scripsit fratri Helyae generali ministro ordinis fratrum Minorum ut amore sui me redderet patri meo. Item multis linguis et variis loqui sciebat; et, ut breviter me expediam, si bene fuisset catholicus, et dilexisset Deum et Ecclesiam suam, paucos habuisset

in Imperio pares in mundo; sed quia scriptum est quod modicum fermentum totam massam corrumpit, omnes suas bonitates destruxit in eo, quod persecutus est Ecclesiam Dei, quam non fuisset persecutus, si animam suam et Deum dilexisset. Qualis fuit Fridericus Imperator quondam, qui peccavit in uno Deo, et ideo multa bona perdidit, quia praesentia et futura, ipse viderit et sibi imputetur; ideo ab Imperio depositus fuit, et mala morte obiit.

Erat enim epycureus, et ideo quicquid poterat invenire in divina Scriptura per se et per sapientes suos quod faceret ad ostendendum quod non esset alia vita post mortem, totum inveniebat . . . Quae omnia faciunt ad destructionem credulitatis Friderici et sapientum suorum, qui crediderunt quod non esset alia vita nisi praesens, ut liberius carnalitatibus suis et miseriis vacare possent. Ideo fuerunt epycurei: sicut enim stoyci ponunt felicitatem hominis in sola animi virtute, sic epycurei in sola corporis voluptate.

Chronica, pp. 166-169.

Post praedictos, missus fuit in Lombardiam legatus dominus Octavianus diaconus cardinalis. Hic fuit pulcher homo et nobilis, scilicet de filiis Hubaldini de Musello in episcopatu florentino: multum reputatus fuit ex parte Imperii, sed propter honorem suum interdum faciebat aliqua ad utilitatem Ecclesiae, sciens quod propter hoc missus fuerat. . . . Cum autem redii in Lombardiam, et post plures annos dominus Octavianus adhuc legatus esset Bononiae, pluribus vicibus comedi cum eo; et locabat me semper in capite mensae suae, ita quod inter me et ipsum non erat nisi socius frater, et ipse tertium locum mensae habebat a capite. Tunc faciebam quod Sapiens in Prov. docet, XXIII., etc.; et hoc fieri oportebat, quoniam tota sala palatii discumbentibus erat plena. Verumtamen abundanter et decenter comestibilia habebamus, et vinum abundans et praecipuum ponebatur, et omnia delicata. Tunc coepi cardinalem diligere.

pp. 195, 196.

Inferno, xil, 109-112.

E quella fronte ch' ha ll pel così nero, È Azzolino; e quell'altro, ch' è biondo, È Opizzo da Esti, il qual per vero Fu spento dal figliastro su nel mondo.

Porro in alia Marchia dominatus est frater istius Albrici dominus Icilinus, ut in Padua, Vicentia, atque Verona. Hic vero fuit membrum diaboli et filius iniquitatis: . . . Pejor enim homo fuit de mundo: non credo revera quod ab initio mundi usque ad dies nostros fuerit ita malus homo; nam ita tremebant cum omnes, sicut tremit juncus in aqua: et hoc

non sine causa erat; qui enim erat hodie, de crastina die securus non erat. Pater petebat filium ad interficiendum, et filius patrem, vel aliquem sibi propinquum, ut Icilino placeret: omnes majores et meliores et potentiores et ditiores et nobiliores delevit de Marchia trivisina; et mulieres castrabat, et cum filiis et filiabus in carceribus includebat, et ibi fame et miseria peribant. Multos religiosos interfecit, et in carceribus diu habuit, tam ex ordine fratrum Minorum et Praedicatorum, quam ex ordinibus aliis. . . . Nec Nero, nec Decius, nec Diocletianus, nec Maximianus in malitia fuerunt similes sibi, sed neque Herodes, neque Antiochus, qui pessimi homines de mundo fuerunt. Vere isti duo fratres duo daemones extiterunt, de quorum quolibet possem componere librum grandem, si tempus sufficeret et pergamenum haberem. Verumtamen in morte Albricus optime fuit contritus (Icilinus vero nunquam revertus est ad Deum); in quo magna Dei misericordia est ostensa, dum talem hominem etiam in morte suscepit.

p. 182. (Cf. pp. 75, 201, 238, et passim.)

"Nunc superest ut dicamus de his qui in Lombardia et in Romagnola dominium habuerunt. . . . in Mantua, dominus Pinamons civis Mantuae, cujus dominium valde longum et durum fuit annis multis; in Ferraria, dominus Salinguerra, post quem, Azo marchio Hestensis, post quem, Opizo filius Rainaldi filii praedicti Azonis, qui mortuus est in Apulia in carcere obses Imperatoris. Fuit ergo iste Opizo filius cujusdam neapulitanae et Rainaldi filii Azonis praedicti, et portatus fuit parvulus de Apulia, ut vidi oculis meis; qui Opizo fuit vir magni cordis, non tamen bonus, quia multa mala fecit: et illos de Fontana expulit de Ferraria, qui eum sublimaverant, et ferrariensibus ultra modum longum et durum fecit dominium annis multis."

pp. 178, 179.

Inferno, xiii, 58, 59.

Io son colui, che tenni ambo le chiavi Del cor di Federico, ...

Sed Imperator nullius amicitiam conservare sciebat. Quinimmo gloriabatur, quod nunquam nutrierat aliquem porcum, cujus non habuisset axungiam. Et volebat dicere, quod nunquam sublimaverat aliquem ad divitias et honorem cujus postea non exhausisset marsupium, vel thesaurum. Quae erat maxima miseria dicere. Sed patuit hoc in Petro de Vinea, qui in curia Imperatoris maximus et consiliarius et dictator fuit, nec non et ab Imperatore appellatus est logotheta. Et tamen eum de pulvere exaltaverat, et in eundem pulverem eum postmodum fecit reverti. Nam radicem verbi invenit contra eum, nec non et calumniam. Calumnia autem Imperatoris contra Petrum de Vinea fuit hujusmodi. Imperator miserat judicem Thaddaeum et Petrum

de Vinea, quem maxime diligebat et super omnes alios in curia Imperatoris erat, et quosdam alios Lugdunum ad Papam Innocentium quartum, ut impedirent Papam, ne festinaret ad depositionem ipsius. Audierat enim quod propter hoc Concilium congregabat. Et praeceperat eis, quod nullus cum Papa sine alio, vel nisi praesentibus aliis, loqueretur. Postquam autem reversi sunt, accusaverunt socii Petrum de Vinea, quod pluries sine eis cum Papa familiare colloquium habuisset. Misit igitur Imperator, et fecit eum capi et mala morte mori.

pp. 78, 79. (Cf. p. 164.)

Inferno, xx, 95, 96.

Prima che la mattia di Casalodi Da *Pinamonte* inganno ricevesse.

Erat autem dominus Pinamons quidam civis Mantuae, et usurpaverat sibi dominium civitatis suae, et expulerat concives suos, et occupaverat bona eorum, et domos et turres destruxerat illorum quos inimicos credebat. Et timebatur sicut diabolus; et erat homo senex et totus canus, et habebat filiorum maximam turbam: inter quos erat unus frater Minor, qui dicebatur frater Phylippus, bonus homo et honestus, et lector in theologia. Hic aliquando fuit haereticorum inquisitor, et multos cepit et fugavit et destruxit de terra quae dicebatur Sermilion. Item dominus Pinamons solitus erat gloriari, quod in isto suo dominio nunquam habuerat aliquod infortunium, sed omnia ad vota successerant; quae erat stultitia magna, cum Sapiens etc. Item in poetria novella sic habetur:

Si bene successit, non prima, sed ultima spectes. A casu describe diem, non solis ab ortu.

pp. 222, 223.

Inferno, xx, 118-120.

Vedi Guido Bonatti, vedi Asdente Che avere inteso al cuoio ed allo spago Ora vorrebbe, ma tardi si pente.

Frater Hugo de Regio, qui dictus est Hugo paucapalea, fuit magister in grammatica in saeculo, et magnus trufator et magnus prolocutor, et in ordine fratrum Minorum sollemnis et optimus praedicator, et qui mordaces ordinis confutabat et confundebat praedicationibus et exemplis. Nam quidam magister Guido Bonattus de Furlivio, qui se philosophum et astrologum esse dicebat, et praedicationes fratrum Minorum et Praedicatorum vituperabat, ita ab eo fuit confusus coram universitate et populo liviensi, ut toto tempore quo frater Hugo fuit in partibus illis, non solum non loqui, verum etiam nec apparere auderet.

Item his diebus erat in civitate parmensi quidam pauper homo, operans de opere cerdonico, faciebat enim subtellares, purus et simplex, ac timens Deum, et curialis, idest urbanitatem habens, et illiteratus; sed illuminatum valde intellectum habebat in tantum ut intelligeret scripturas illorum qui de futuris praedixerunt, scilicet abbatis Joachym, Merlini, Methodii et Sibillae, Isaiae, Jeremiae, Oseae, Danielis et Apocalypsis, nec non et Michaelis Scoti, qui fuit astrologus Friderici secundi Imperatoris quondam. Et multa audivi ab eo, quae postea evenerunt, videlicet quod Papa Nicolaus tertius in mensi augusti mori debebat, et quod Papa Martinus erat futurus; et multa alia, quae expectamus videre, si fuerit vita comes, nam

"Ratio praeteriti scire futura facit."

Iste homo, praeter proprium nomen, quod est magister Benvenutus, communiter appellatur Asdenti, idest absque dentibus per contrarium, quia magnos habet dentes et inordinatos, et loquelam impeditam, tamen bene intelligit et bene intelligitur. In capite pontis moratur in Parma, juxta foveam civitatis et juxta puteum, per stratam quae vadit ad burgum Sancti Domini.

His diebus dominus Opizo parmensis episcopus prophetam parmensium, qui dicitur Asdenti, invitavit ad prandium, et de futuris diligenter quaesivit ab eo. Qui dixit, audientibus multis, quod usque ad breve tempus regini et parmenses tribulationes multas erant passuri; et de morte summi Pontificis Papae Martini quarti praedixit similiter, omnium istorum tempora determinando et specificando, quae ponere nolo; et quod succedere debebant tres summi Pontifices et ab invicem discedere, quorum unus esset legitimus, duo vero non legitime facti; et de destructione Mutinae, antequam eveniret, praedixerat. Nec est aliter iste propheta, nisi quia illuminatum intellectum habet ad intelligendum dicta Merlini et Sibyllae et abbatis Joachym, et omnium qui de futuris aliquid praedixerunt; et est curialis homo et humilis et familiaris et sine pompa et vanagloria; nec aliquid dicit affirmando, sed dicit: ita videtur mihi, et ita intelligo ego istam scripturam; et cum aliquis legendo coram eo aliquid subtrahit, statim percipit et dicit: tu decipis me, quia aliquid dimisisti. Et de diversis partibus mundi multi veniunt ad ipsum interrogandum. p. 303.

Inferno, xxiii, 37-42.

Lo Duca mio di subito mi prese,
Come la madre ch' al romore è desta,
E vede presso a sè le fiamme accese,
Che prende il figlio e fugge e non s'arresta,
Avendo più di lui che di sè cura,
Tanto che sola una camicia vesta.

Anno Domini MCCXXII ... in Nativitate D. N. Jesu Christi fuit maximus terraemotus ... Solita erat mater mea mihi referre, quod tempore istius magnae terraemotus jacebam in cunabulis; et ipsa accepit duas sorores meas, sub qualibet ascella unam, erant enim parvulae. Et, me in cuna dimisso, cucurrit ad domum patris et matris et fratrum suorum. Timebat enim, ut dicebat, ne Baptisterium super eam caderet, quia ibi juxta erat domus mea. Et ex hoc non ita chare diligebam eam, quia plus debebat curare de me masculo, quam de filiabus. Sed ipsa dicebat, quod aptiores erant sibi ad portandum, cum essent grandiusculae.

Inferno, xxiii, 103-105.

Frati Godenti fummo e Bolognesi, Io Catalano e questi *Loderingo* Nomati,...

Item millesimo supraposito [1261] composita et ordinata fuit regula militum beatae Mariae Virginis mediante fratre Rufino Gurgone de Placentia, qui multis annis fuerat minister Bononiae, et tunc erat poenitentiarius in curia domini Papae, et erat Bononiae pro negotiis curiae. Ordinata etiam fuit per honorabiles viros dominum Lotherengum de Andalois de Bononia, qui prior extitit, et praelatus ejusdem ordinis, inter eos, et per dominum Gruamontem etc. . . .

Isti a rusticis trufatorie et derisive appellantur Gaudentes; quasi dicant: ideo facti sunt fratres, quia nolunt communicare aliis bona sua, sed volunt tantummodo sibi habere. ... Isti qui dicuntur Gaudentes ita multiplicantur, sicut panis in manu famelici; et reputant se fecisse magnum quoddam, praeclarum quiddam ex eo quod talem habitum assumpserunt; sed parum in romana curia reputantur. Et hoc propter quinque: primo, quia de suis divitiis nec monasteria, nec hospitalia, nec pontes, nec ecclesias unquam construxerunt, seu alia opera pietatis fecisse reperiuntur; secundo, quia multa aliena abstulerunt per rapinam, more potentum, nec restituerunt male ablata; tertio, quia, postquam consumpserunt divitias suas faciendo magnas expensas et largas in multis vanitatibus et comessationibus et comedendo cum hystrionibus et non cum Christi pauperibus, ipsi petunt ab Ecclesia romana, et volunt obtinere a Papa et invadere loca meliorum religiosorum. quicumque ipsi sint, et illos de domibus suis expellere; quarto, quia avarissimi homines sunt : Radix enim omnium malorum est cupiditas; quinto et ultimo, quia non video ad quid deserviant in Ecclesia Dei, idest ad quod utiles sint, nisi forte quia salvos faciunt semetipsos, quae a Hieronymo sancta rusticitas appellatur ... Igitur de hac materia satis sit dictum.

Amodo gaudendum est cum gaudentibus, et flendum cum flentibus. ... Obiit Papa Alexander quartus MCCLXI., et substitutus est Urbanus IIII., qui istorum Gaudentium regulam dedit.

241, 242.

Inferno, xxvii, 40, 41.

Ravenna sta come stata è molti anni; L'aquila da Polenta là si cova.

Purgatorio, xiv, 115.

Ben fa Bagnacaval che non rifiglia.

Melius fecit dominus Guido de Polenta habitator civitatis Ravennae, qui sufficienter ultus est, et noluit excedere modum. Cum enim esset puerulus, et Imperator patrem ejus obsidem teneret in vinculis, procuravit dominus Guido Malabocca, frater comitis Rogerii de Bagnacavallo, quod Imperator amputavit ei [sc. patri Guidonis] caput, idest amputari fecit; et ipse [sc. Guido], postquam crevit, Guidoni Malaboccae consimiliter fecit. Cum autem processu temporis iret Bagnacavallum cum multis armatis, et comitem Rogerium reperisset in via cum paucis, et persuaderent ei itineris socii, qui cum eo erant, quod de comite Rogerio modo se totaliter poterat expedire ut de cetero timore careret, respondit dicens: Satis fecimus; sufficiant nobis illa quae facta sunt: mala enim semper possunt fieri, sed cum facta fuerint, revocari non possunt. Et sic eum libere abire permisit.

Inferno, xxvii, 67.

lo fui uom d'arme, e poi fui cordelliero.

In Furlivio dominatus est dominus Guido comes montefeltranus, qui fuit vir bellator, et peritiam habuit artis pugnae, et plures victorias de bononiensibus, qui erant ex parte Ecclesiae, cum eis bellando obtinuit. Pluribus annis tempore validae guerrae in Furlivio dominium habuit, sed in fine defecit tam ipse, quam livienses, pro eo quod Papa Martinus quartus de illa guerra pertinaciter et obstinato animo se intromisit, volens penitus de Furlivio victoriam obtinere. Quapropter, cum venisset dominus Bernardus cardinalis romanae curiae, legatus in Romagnolam, et livienses tradidissent se sibi, misit dominum Guidonem comitem Montefeltri primo Cluciam, postmodum in Lombardiam ad civitatem astensem, ut in confinio staret ibi; qui humiliter obedivit habitando ibidem.

Comes vero Guido de Montefeltro, qui fuerat capitaneus et dux illorum liviensium et partis Imperii, cum Ecclesia concordavit, et stetit in confinibus apud Clugiam tempore aliquanto: postmodum missus fuit in Lombardiam, et habitavit in civitate astensi cum magno honore, quia diligebatur ab omnibus propter praecedentem probitatem, et crebras victorias quas habuerat, et

quia modo sapienter et humiliter obediebat Ecclesiae. Insuper erat homo nobilis et sensatus et discretus et morigeratus, liberalis et curialis et largus, strenuus miles et probus in armis et doctus ad bellum.¹ Ordinem fratrum Minorum diligebat, non solum quia aliquos propinquos habebat in eo, verum etiam quia beatus Franciscus eum de multis periculis liberaverat, et de compedibus et carcere domini Malatestae; et tamen a quibusdam stultis ex ordine fratrum Minorum pluries graviter fuit offensus. Hic in civitate astensi habuit decentem societatem atque familiam, eo quod multi sibi manum adjutricem porrigere non cessabant.

Inferno, xxxi, 49-55.

Natura certo, quando lasciò l'arte Di sì fatti animali, assai fe' bene, Per torre tali esecutori a Marte: E s'ella d'elefanti et di balene Non si pente, chi guarda sottilmente Più giusta e più discreta la ne tiene."

Eodem anno [1235] dominus Imperator Fridericus misit elephantem in Lombardiam cum pluribus dromedariis et camelis et cum multis leopardis, et cum multis gerifalcis et asturibus. Et transierunt per Parmam, ut vidi oculis meis, et steterunt in civitate Cremonae....

Et ante festum sancti Martini [1237] per duos dies, venit [Imperator] cum exercitu apud Pontemvicum. Tunc habuit Imperator elephantem suum, quem Cremonae tenuerat, super quem erat turris lignea ad modum carrocii lombardorum; et erat quadratum et bene ligatum, habens banderias quatuor, in quolibet angulo unam, et in medio magnum vexillum; et intus magister bestiae cum multis saracenis. De hac materia satis habetur in primo Machabaeorum libro. Horum animalium in Aethiopia magna copia est, quorum naturam et proprietates frater Bartholomaeus anglicus ex ordine Minorum in libro, quem De proprietatibus rerum fecit, sufficienter exposuit. Magnus clericus fuit, et totam Bibliam cursorie Parisius legit.

pp. 47, 48.

Inferno, xxxii. 121-123.

Gianni de' Soldanier credo che sia Più là con Ganellone, e *Tribaldello*, *Ch' aprì Faenza* quando si dormia.

Et eodem anno [1280], in mense novembris, capta fuit Faventia per ravennates et XXV. soldaderios reginos, qui erant in civitate Imolae pro

1 "Il nobilissimo nostro Latino Guido Montefeltrano."

Convito, Iv, 28.

Communi regino in servitio bononiensium, et per quosdam milites comitis, et per bononienses, qui postea illuc cucurrerunt, et post eos tota militia parmensium et reginorum, qui iverunt usque ad Imolam; et multi bononienses fuerunt ibi capti, et fuerunt ultra XLV. de bonis, et multi mortui. Et quidam magnus et potens dictae civitatis Faventiae, qui vocabatur dominus Tebaldellus de Zambrasiis, qui non erat legitimus, sed frater suus frater Zambrasinus, qui est de ordine fratrum Gaudentium, medietatem haereditatis paternae dederat ei, quia videbat eum virum industrium, et quia plures de Zambrasiis non remanserant nisi isti duo fratres, et quia ambo poterant esse divites, ideo divisit cum eo haereditatem ex aequo, et fecit eum inclytum; hic ergo Tebaldellus, quem centies vidi et cognovi, et fuit vir pugnator sicut alter Jepte, dictam terram, scilicet faventinam civitatem, dedit in manibus praedictorum bononiensium. Et eo tempore, quo intraverunt civitatem Faventiae praedicti bononienses intrinseci, idest qui ex parte Ecclesiae se esse dicebant, media pars civitatis Faventiae erat cum bononiensibus exterioribus in obsidione cujusdam castri: observavit ergo Tebaldellus tempus congruum sibi ad malefaciendum. pp. 278, 279.

Porro pars Ecclesiae in Faventia a Zambrasiis denominabatur, et non erant nisi duo ex illo casali, scilicet frater Zambrasinus, qui de ordine fratrum Gaudentium fuit et est, et Tebaldellus frater ipsius non legitimus; et reputabatur, quia vir fortis et pulcher erat, et dives quia frater suus Zambrasinus legitimus aequaliter haereditatem cum eo diviserat. Hic bis civitatis suae Faventiae proditor fuit: primo dedit eam liviensibus, et habitabam ibi tunc; secundo parti Ecclesiae eam restituit; et post breve tempus in fovea civitatis liviensis periit, et suffocatus est cum dextrerio suo et aliis multis.

Purgatorio, vii, 112-114.

Quel che par sì membruto, e che s' accorda Cantando con colui del maschio naso, D' ogni valor portò cinta la corda.

Iste Petrus Rex Aragoniae fuit homo magnifici cordis, et fortis armatus, et doctus ad bellum; nam homo fuit magnae audaciae, et multa praesumpsit, ut patet in negotio regni Siciliae, quod contra Regem Karolum et Papam Martinum ausus fuit invadere.

Videtur mihi quod opus Petri Aragonum possit connumerari cum operibus Alexandri, qui in multis terribilibus negotiis et operibus voluit experiri ut laudem in posterum mereretur. .

pp. 354, 355. (Cf. pp. 245, 281, et al.)

Nam sequenti anno, scilicet MCCLXXXV., Indictione XIII., immediate sequenti die post Epyphaniam, qua Dominica habebatur, Rex Carolus apud Fociam ultimum diem clausit, et portatus fuit Neapolim, et ibi sepultus : et nota quod tali die obiit quali fuerat coronatus, revolutis pluribus annis. Hic fuit optimus praeliator, et abstulit opprobrium gallicorum quod sub sancto Lodoyco incurrerant ultra mare. ... De cujus morte quaedam sancta domina magnas habuit visiones. Nam millesimo supraposito, scilicet MCCLXXXV., quaedam domina de civitate quae appellatur Barletta vidit somnium sibi a Deo ostensum, quod narrans fratribus Minoribus, quorum devota erat, dixit : vidi in visione nocturna quemdam astantem mihi et dicentem; scito praenoscens quod infra unum annum quatuor solemnes personae morti tradentur a Deo, ubi constituta est domus omni viventi, Job. xxx.; et primus erit Rex Karolus; secundus Papa Martinus; tertius Phylippus Rex Franciae; quartus Petrus Rex Aragoniae. Haec omnia rerum probavit eventus, quia accidit ita ut dictum fuerat sibi. Item haec eadem domina, quando Rex Karolus obiit, aliud vidit somnium, quod narrans fratribus Minoribus ait : videbatur mihi quod essem in quodam magno viridario valde pulcherrimo, in quo vidi draconem ingentem atque terribilem, ante cujus conspectum fortiter fugiebam nimio timore perterrita. Draco vero velocissimo cursu post me veniebat. humanis vocibus inclamando atque rogando ut eum expectarem, quia mihi loqui volebat. Cum autem audissem quod mihi voce loquebatur humana, abire cessavi, volens audire quod diceret; et conversa, aio ad eum : quinam estis vos, et quid mihi dicere vultis? Et respondit et dixit : ego sum Rex Karolus qui habitabam in isto pulcherrimo viridario, de quo Petrus Rex Aragoniae cum uno frusto carnis nunc me expellit. De uxore Petri Aragoniae dicebat, cujus occasione contra Karolum regnum Siciliae occupavit; et quod mulier carnis nomine intelligatur, habetur Jo. i. pp. 330, 331.

Purgatorio, xi, 79-81.

"O," dissi lui, "non sei tu Oderisi, L'onor d'Agobbio, e l'onor di quell'arte Che alluminare è chiamata in Parisi?"

Iste frater Henricus pisanus fuit pulcher homo, mediocris tamen staturae, largus, curialis, liberalis et alacer. Cum omnibus bene conversari sciebat condescendendo se moribus singulorum, fratrum suorum gratiam habens et saecularium, quod paucorum est. Item sollemnis praedicator et gratiosus clero et populo fuit. Item sciebat scribere, miniare, quod aliqui illuminare dicunt (pro eo quod ex minio liber illuminatur), notare, cantus pulcherrimos et delectabiles invenire, tam modulatos, idest fractos, quam

firmos. Sollemnis cantor fuit. Habebat vocem grossam et sonoram, ita ut totum repleret chorum. Ouillam (?)1 vero habebat subtilem, altissimam et acutam, dulcem, suavem et delectabilem supra modum. Meus custos fuit in senensi custodia, et meus magister in cantu, tempore Gregorii Papae noni.

Purgatorio, xiv, 97-99.

Ov' è il buon Lizio, ed Arrigo Mainardi, Pier Traversaro, e Guido di Carpigna? O Romagnoli tornati in bastardi!

Et nota quod in Ravenna antiquitus fuerunt IIII. nobilia casalia, sicut in pontificali Ravennae pluries legi. Habitavi enim ibi per quinquennium. Et omnia illa casalia, quae erant nobiliora et super alia, ad nihilum sunt redacta, quorum ultimum, quod plus duravit, fuit casale domini Pauli Traversarii, quod diebus meis omnino defecit. Fuit autem Paulus Traversarius pulcherrimus miles et magnus baro, et ditissimus valde, et dilectus a civibus.

p. 52.

Purgatorio, xiv, 118-120.

Ben faranno i Pagan, dacchè il Demonio Lor sen girà; ma non però che puro Giammai rimanga d'essi testimonio.

Porro in montibus Petrus Paganus ex parte Imperii magnus erat, famosus et nominatus et doctus ad bellum; et habitabat in quodam castro, quod appellabatur Sosonana: bonam uxorem habuit dominam Dyanam, et bonam sororem dominam Gallam Placidiam: hae ambae meae devotae fuerunt. p. 184.

Purgatorio, xx, 67, 68.

Carlo venne in Italia, e, per ammenda, Vittima fe, di Corradino;

Item millesimo supraposito, scilicet anno Domini MCCLXVIII., Conradinus, olim nepos Friderici Imperatoris, parvipendens domini Papae excommunicationem, contra Karolum, quem Ecclesia Regem Siciliae fecerat, insurgens, ad theutonicos, quos habuit, quampluribus lombardis et tuscis adjunctis, pervenit usque Romam, ubi cum imperiali more sollemniter

1 This word which is queried in the original text may come from the Provençal quil, one meaning of which Raynouard, Lexique Roman, gives as gazouillement. In Italian cantare in quilio or quilo was used for singing in falsetto.

receptus fuisset, associato sibi senatore urbis domino Henrico fratre Regis Castellae, et quamplurimis romanis, contra Karolum Apuliam intravit : sed, post durum campestre bellum, Conradinus cum suis terga vertentibus capitur, et a Karolo cum duobus nobilibus decollatur. p. 250.

Iste Conradinus litteratus juvenis fuit, et latinis verbis optime loquebatur.

p. 247.

Purgatorio, xxiv. 20-24.

- e quella faccia Di là da lui, più che l'altre trapunta, Ebbe la santa Chiesa in le sue braccia: Dal Torso fu, e purga per digiuno L'anguille di Bolsena e la vernaccia.

Et ibi prope vinum de Vernacia abundanter habetur; et vinum terrae llius optimum est, usque adeo, quod versus cujusdam Trutanni pro vino illo locum habere possunt. Dixit enim:

> Vinum de vite - det nobis gaudia vitae. Si duo sunt vina, - mihi de meliore propina. Non prosunt vina, - nisi fiat repetitio trina. Dum quartum poto, - succedunt gaudia voto. Ad potum quintum - mens vadit in laberyntum. Sexta potationum - me cogit abire supinum.

p. 334.

Paradiso, vi, 133, 134.

Ouattro figlie ebbe, e ciascuna regina Ramondo Beringhieri.

Nota quod iste comes, de quo supra dixi, dictus est Raymundus Berengarii; et fuit pulcher homo et amicus fratrum Minorum, et fuit pater reginae Franciae et reginae Angliae, et tertiam ejus filiam habuit uxorem frater Regis Angliae, et quartam Karolus frater Regis Franciae, ex qua habuit comitatum Provinciae.

p. 100.

Paradiso, xi, 82-84.

O ignota ricchezza, o ben ferace ! Scalzasi Egidio e scalzasi Silvestro Dietro allo sposo; si la sposa piace.

Ideo bene dixit frater Aegidius perusinus (non quia de Perusio fuerit. sed quia ibi diu vixit, et vitam finivit), homo extaticus et totus divus, quartus in ordine frater, computato beato Francisco; dixit enim: Magna gratia

est non habere gratiam. Et loquebatur de gratiis non gratis datis, sed acquisitis, propter quas nonnulli frequenter male faciunt facta sua.

p. 67.

Paradiso, xii, 91-94.

Non dispensare o due o tre per sei, Non la fortuna di prima vacante, Non decimas, quae sunt pauperum Dei, Addomandò: ...

Cum igitur considero quali fine et intentione Deus dixit: Inferte omnem decimam in horreum meum, scilicet ut sit cibus in domo mea; et in domo multorum praebendatorum sit in tanta abundantia cibus, quod tantum habent de terra, quantum viginti paria boum eam cultivare non possent, non video quali conscientia quod eis decimae dentur audeant praedicare; praesertim cum libentius dent ecclesiasticas divitias propinquis divitibus, amasiis, concubinis atque focariis, quam pauperibus Christi. Nam per totum annum, cum pro eleemosyna vado, nec unicum panem in domo talium possum habere: ipsi vero potius congregationi hystrionum, sivi joculatorum, se affabiles faciunt.

A VARIANT IN THE VITA NUOVA.1

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Will you allow me to call the attention of your readers, and, in particular, of those who may have purchased "The Oxford Dante," to the following (as I venture to think) very interesting variant, which, by an unfortunate oversight, was not introduced into the text of the *Vita Nuova* lately published?

In \S xxx Dante, speaking of the date of the death of Beatrice — *i.e.* (as commonly supposed), June 9, 1290 — says:

"Io dico che secondo l' usanza d' Italia, l' anima sua nobilissima si partì nella prima ora del nono giorno del mese; e secondo l' usanza di Siria, ella si partì nel nono mese dell' anno; perchè il primo mese è ivi Tisrin, il quale a noi è Ottobre. E secondo l' usanza nostra, ella si partì in quello anno della nostra indizione cioè degli anni Domini in cui il perfetto numero nove volte era compiuto in quel centinaio nel quale in questo mondo ella fu posta."

There seems to be no doubt that for Italia we should read Arabia.

- 1. This reading, being found in several MSS., strikes one at once as being difficilior lectio in the proper sense of the term. It is very hard at first sight to see the point of it; and if Italia were the original reading, it is inconceivable that a scribe should have substituted Arabia. But, on the contrary supposition, it is obvious that Italia might be substituted for Arabia, on the grounds that the ninth day of the month was the ninth day as much in Italy as anywhere else, and that there was no need to go further afield to justify it.
- 2. For the same reason, to introduce *Italia* at all would be very weak, if there were nothing exceptional or distinctive about the manner of reckoning intended; and still more (looking only a short way ahead), there would be a very lame antithesis between (1) Italy, (2) Syria, and (3) "our usage," which could hardly be any other than that of Italy.
- 3. Observe, it is Dante's object to find the number nine pervading the date of Beatrice's death in respect of the day, the month, and the year. He manages to count June as the ninth month by referring to the Calendar of Syria. Apparently he finds it necessary to call in the aid of Arabian usage to make her death fall on the ninth day of the month. Now, why is this? I find in chap, i of Alfraganus' Elementa Astronomica a work, as

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I could prove, largely used by Dante for his astronomical details, especially in the *Convito* — the statement that the Arabians begin their day from sunset, while the Romans and others begin it from sunrise. It is to be noticed that in the very next paragraph Alfraganus enumerates the Syrian months, explaining that "Tixryn" is the first month in the year; and shortly afterwards, when comparing the Syrian and Roman months, he states that this month corresponds with October. This reveals the source of Dante's information as to a system in which June could be reckoned as the ninth month. But to return to the difficulty as to the day. It now becomes apparent to us that Beatrice really died, not, as commonly supposed, on June 9, but on the evening of June 8 according to our reckoning; and that Dante, in order to be able to call it June 9, was obliged to have recourse to the Arabian usage by which (auct. Alfraganus) that day could be held to commence on the evening of June 8.

4. We seem to gain from this a strong argument for the reality of Beatrice and the historical character of the events narrated of her. Unless her death actually occurred on June 8, unless Dante were hampered by actual facts, why should he have chosen so awkward a date, and one which required such far-fetched ingenuity in order to yield the allegorical significance desired? Why should he not have said November 9, for instance, the propriety of which would need no such elaborate gloss?

We have also, one may add, an instructive illustration of the success with which allegorical meanings can be elicited from the most commonplace or unpromising facts, if only the mind be set upon it.

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- 7. The Secretary and Treasurer shall keep a record of the meetings of the Society and of the Council, shall collect and receive all dues, and keep accounts of the income and expenditure of the Society, shall give notice of meetings, and shall perform all other duties appropriate to his office.

- 8. The Council shall hold meetings at such times as it may appoint, shall determine on the use to be made of the income of the Society, shall endeavor to promote the special objects of the Society in such ways as may seem most appropriate, and shall make an annual report of their proceedings, including a full statement of accounts, at each Annual Meeting. This report shall be made in print for distribution to the members.
- 9. No officer of the Society shall be competent to contract debts in the name of the Society, and no expenditure shall be made without a vote of the Council.
- 10. A majority of the Council shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 11. Any person distinguished for his interest in the purposes of the Society, or who has rendered it valuable service, may be chosen an Honorary Member at any regular meeting of the Society, and shall be entitled to all its privileges without annual assessment. The number of Honorary Members, however, shall not at any time exceed six.
- 12. The preceding rules may be changed at any time by unanimous vote of the Council.

THE DANTE PRIZE.

IN MEMORIAM CHARLES STERRETT LATHAM.

The prize offered for 1889-90 was awarded to Mr. C. S. LATHAM, of the class of 1884, A. B. Harv. 1888, for a translation of the Letters of Dante with a historical and critical comment. Mr. Latham died on July 21, 1890. He did not live to learn the award of the prize.

In accordance with the desire of his mother, the prize adjudged to him of one hundred dollars is now offered again to be competed for. The competition is open not only to the students in any department of Harvard University, and to Harvard graduates of not more than three years' standing, but also to students and graduates, of similar standing, of any college or university in the United States.

The annual prize of one hundred dollars offered by a member of the Dante Society for the best essay by a student in any department of Harvard University, or by a graduate of not more than three years' standing, on a subject connected with the Life or Works of Dante, is withdrawn for the present, but the offer will be renewed after the award of the Latham Prize.

For the year 1896-97 the subjects proposed are as follows:

- 1. Dante's obligations to Provençal and Old French Poetry.
- 2. A discussion of the origin and character of Dante's philosophy of love.
- 3. A study of the existing translations of the Divine Comedy into English verse.

For the year 1897-98 the subjects proposed are as follows:

- 1. The philological value of Dante's observations on the dialects of Italy in the De Vulgari Eloquentia.
- 2. Dante's obligations to the De Consolatione Philosophiae of Boethius.

3. The history of the speculations in regard to the personality of Beatrice from the fourteenth century to the present day.

Essays must be deposited with the Dean of Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass., on or before the first day of May, 1897.

Essayists are at liberty to write on any one of the subjects which have been proposed for the ten years during which the Dante Prize has been offered.

On the title-page must be written an assumed name and a statement of the writer's standing, *i.e.*, whether he is a graduate or an undergraduate (and of what college or university); if he is an undergraduate, to what class he belongs, and to what department of the college or university. Under cover with the essay must be sent a sealed letter, containing the true name and address of the writer, and superscribed with his assumed name.

The essays must be written upon letter paper, of good quality, of the quarto size, with a margin of not less than one inch at the top, at the bottom, and on each side, so that they may be bound up without injury to the writing. The sheets on which the essay is written must be securely stitched together.

The judges of the essays are a committee of the Dante Society.

In case the judges decide that no essay submitted to them deserves the full prize, they are at liberty to award one or two prizes of fifty dollars, or to award no prize.

The Dante Society has the privilege of retaining and depositing in the Dante collection of the Harvard College Library any or all essays offered in competition for the Dante Prize, whether successful or not.

Since its establishment the Dante Prize has been awarded to the following persons:

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CHARLES STERRETT LATHAM
For an essay upon the subject. A Translation into English of Dante's
Letters, with Explanatory and Historical Comments.
LUCY ALLEN PATON
For an essay upon the subject: The Personal Character of Dante, as Revealed in his Writings.
KENNETH McKenzie
JEREMIAH DENIS MATTHIAS FORD
For an essay upon the subject . Dante's Influence upon Spanish Literature
during the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Centuries.



ANNUAL REPORT.

THE past year has been an encouraging one both for the Society and for all American students of Dante. If the signs are to be trusted, a continually increasing number of persons among us is drawn to the serious reading of the poet, while to meet the needs of these students, larger and larger numbers of books and essays are published both in the United States and England. To be sure, many of these publications show the good will, rather than the sound judgment, of their authors; yet the very frequency of their appearance may be looked upon as a promise of real and valuable gains to Dante studies in the future. Dante is not a poet to be harmed by the clumsy and ignorant homage of the incompetent, for all homage of him must proceed from what is sound and serious even in these. At the same time, the earnest student of the poet and his works cannot but feel the need of striving as much as possible for the diffusion of a truly scholarly knowledge of him and of them. This is the purpose the Dante Society has had from its foundation, and this still

remains its sincerest interest. It urges upon all who love Dante and desire to see his influence strong in the intellectual and spiritual life of the modern world, the necessity of genuine devotion to truth and sound learning in the study of him. It aims to foster, in so far as it can, this spirit in those who give themselves to the long but profitable task of learning to understand his works. By its own publications, and by the encouragement and help it may be able to give those who can make real contributions to such studies, it strives to aid in enlarging year by year the bounds of our knowledge; and in all legitimate ways it endeavors to extend and deepen the interest which serious-minded persons must always feel in Dante, as soon as they obtain any acquaintance with him.

It is certainly a reason for hopefulness that these efforts of the Society appear to have obtained a fair measure of success. Among the indications of this are the slow but steady increase in the number of members, and the greater demand for the Society's publications that shows itself from year to year. A further sign is the cordial spirit shown by European scholars toward the Society's undertakings.

This recognition, however, brings with it responsibilities. The Council has for several years foreseen that greater expenditures would be necessary in the near future. Thus the demand for the Society's Reports has been so great that it is no longer possible to furnish purchasers with complete sets. Naturally, too, the most interesting and valuable Reports are those that have been soonest exhausted. The Council feels that it ought to take steps before long to reprint at least the scholarly portion of these Reports. The Council, furthermore, still cherishes the hope that has been expressed in the last two Reports, of being able to undertake more freely the publication of valuable contributions to the study of Dante. But these projects imply the use of considerable sums of money, which can be obtained only from an increase of membership. In view of these facts the Council has decided to issue at the same time with this Report an appeal to members and to other persons interested in the study of the poet, inviting coöperation in an extension of the Society's work.

The Report is accompanied this year by a study, historical and bibliographical, of Dante in America, contributed by a member of the Society, Mr. Theodore W. Koch. This is the paper which it had been hoped to print in the Fourteenth Annual Report, but which the author was unable to finish in time. The delay has, however, enabled Mr. Koch to add materially to the value of his work. Owing to the extent of this essay the regular list of additions to the Dante Collection in the Harvard University Library will be omitted for the present year. The Librarian of the Society, Mr. Lane, expects, however, to publish in the next Report

a complete list of the accessions for the two years from 1895 to 1897. The Society desires to express its gratitude both to authors and to other benefactors who are constantly manifesting their interest and sympathy by contributions of books and articles upon Dante.

ARTHUR RICHMOND MARSH, Secretary.

For the Council of the Dante Society,

DANTE IN AMERICA

A HISTORICAL AND BIBLIOGRAPHICAL STUDY

BY

THEODORE W. KOCH

"America, the new Ravenna of the great poet"

SCARTAZZINI



PREFACE.

SOMEWHAT more than two years ago my valued friend and former teacher, the President of our Dante Society, spoke to me of the subject of the present work as a phase of American literary history in which he had been interested at the time of the Dante festival of 1865. For that occasion he had made a list of the more important contributions from America to Dantesque literature and, without keeping a copy for himself, sent it to the authorities in charge of the celebration at Florence. A generation has passed since then, and Dante has gained in favor with us. When Mr. Norton spoke to me of his interest in the matter, he casually remarked that he would like to see a résumé of what had been written in America about his favorite author. The suggestion thus thrown out was harbored by me while engaged in other researches. The subject was very attractive, and by degrees a considerable number of notes and bibliographical references accumulated on my hands. Learning of some comparatively unknown facts in the career of Lorenzo Da Ponte, and receiving, through the kindness of Miss Virginia Wilde, of New Orleans, the papers of her grandfather, the late Richard Henry Wilde, I was encouraged by our Secretary to continue my investigations and prepare for our Society a paper on the subject. The work was intended for last year's Report, but, owing to repeated interruptions, the putting of it into final shape consumed the leisure moments of many months, and it was at last found necessary to delay its publication until the present. So many books had to be turned over in the

making of the bibliography that an undue proportion of time was spent upon this part.

In my account of what has been done in America in the way of study and interpretation of Dante, I have thought it best to treat only of the chief of his students, reserving for the bibliography and notes other matters of minor import. The amount of space given in my sketch to the several workers in this field must not be considered as indicative of my rating of them or their work. More is said of the pioneers in the movement than is warranted by the present value of their tangible results. They left us almost nothing in the way of literature, but they took the initiative step and it is for this reason that I have treated of them at such length. In the case of Da Ponte and Wilde it seemed necessary to enter into some biographical detail, as their lives are probably unknown to the generality of those I count upon as my readers. Of the work of the later followers of Dante, beginning with Longfellow, so much has been said by others — and some of it so admirably said — that it is with diffidence I have dared to say anything new, and I have but seldom ventured beyond the limits of simple narration. Those who seek for further criticism and more individual estimate than I have been able to give are referred to the bibliography as an abundant source.

T. W. K.

September 15, 1896.

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DANTE IN AMERICA.

INTRODUCTION.

THE interest in modern languages and literature which is so widespread in America to-day is of comparatively recent origin. What little there was at the end of the last century and in the beginning of this is to be traced to commercial needs or to social ambitions. Moreover, those who sought instruction were often compelled to study under incompetent and even self-taught men who had little notion of the literature, and sometimes no idea of the proper pronunciation of the languages they professed to teach. In the colleges it was not much better; at Harvard, says Lowell, "a stray Frenchman was caught now and then and kept as long as he could endure the baiting of his pupils. After failing as a teacher of his mothertongue, he commonly turned dancing-master, a calling which public opinion seems to have put on the same intellectual level with the other." 1 Da Ponte tells us that on the occasion of his first visit to New York, in 1805, it took him but a few days to discover that there was as little known in that city of the language and literature of his native country as of the language and literature of Turkey or China. In Boston, in 1815, George Ticknor found it not only difficult to get a copy of Dante, but altogether impossible to get help in reading it. Now all this is changed; the study of the modern languages has been placed on an equal footing with classical studies, and the growth of interest in our special author is indicative of the extent of the change. At present, ten of our leading colleges are offering special courses in the study of the Divina Commedia; Harvard and Cornell have most excellent Dante collections, and Dantesque litera-

¹ Address before the Modern Language Association, Cambridge, Mass., December, 1889.

ture is well represented in many public and private libraries. In our larger cities lectures are frequently given on the poet and his works, while among the new books and in the literary journals the name of Dante is constantly recurring.

This contrast between the present interest in Dante and the small following which he had in America in the early part of the century indicates an advance in culture and sound literary judgment. The statement that the love of Italian poetry has risen and fallen in England with the rise and decay of true poetic feeling and workmanship, is also, in a much more restricted measure, of course, true of American letters.

Dante and his master-work have entered into the literary heritage of our day, - not only of continental Europe, but also of the Englishspeaking people at home and abroad. To trace his varied fortunes before attaining to the universally acknowledged position of a worldpoet, is one of the most captivating and instructive pieces of researchwork in the history of literature. He was praised and worshipped by one generation, to be neglected or altogether misunderstood—a worse fate - by the next. To many people of different times Dante has been but a name; often the well-known name of a man about whom a few facts, gained at second-hand, have sufficed to sate curiosity. Among English men of letters we find him admired and imitated by Chaucer, read by Spenser, possibly known to Sackville, and curiously estimated by that saucy poet of Elizabeth's day, Sir John Harington, while by Francis Meres he was compared to Matthew Roydon! Then came Milton, by whom (to his glory be it said) tribute was paid to him both in prose and verse. After this, there follows a period in which there is no token of Dante being esteemed worthy the attention of English men of culture. Thus, in 1749, Lord Chesterfield writes to his son, urging him to the study of the Italian language, and asserts that the only two Italian poets who merit his attention are Ariosto and Tasso. Voltaire gave voice to the opinion of the reading world of his day when he said of Dante: "Il y a de lui une vingtaine de traits qu'on sait par cœur : cela suffit pour s'épargner la peine d'examiner le reste." But with the weakening of the autocratic sway of eighteenth-century classicism and the assertion of sounder principles of literary criticism, Dante's star rose slowly and

steadily in the horizon of English letters. Gray translated a canto from the Divina Commedia; Coleridge lectured on Dante; Byron wrote his "Prophecy of Dante," and Leigh Hunt built up his "Story of Rimini" on Dante's famous episode, of which he wrote in his preface that it was "indeed the most cordial and refreshing one in the whole of that singular poem, the Inferno . . . which, I confess, has always appeared to me a kind of sublime nightmare." Hunt had not outgrown his cramped and unsympathetic appreciation of Dante thirty years later, when he wrote his "Stories from the Italian Poets." Such utterances as we find there and in contemporary criticism show us that this art had not yet been firmly reëstablished on a scientific basis.

However, the greatest factor in the fortune of Dante in England, and secondarily in America, was the number of translations of his work which had already begun to appear. It was one of the hopeful signs of returning liberty and consequent right growth of appreciation. He was Englished in turn by Rogers, Boyd, Cary, Dayman, Wright, Cayley, and an increasing host of others, until to-day the appearance of a new translation, in whole or part, has become quite an ordinary literary event. Though their merits differ widely, each translation has had at least its own circle of readers, and so has helped to draw attention to this master-work, and to lead many to the study of the original.

But while of late years Dante has had so large a following in England, he has been no less warmly received in America. It is but natural that it should be so. From England we inherited many of our traditions and tastes; when Dante came to be widely read in England we welcomed him here, read him, and began to study him for ourselves. The first Dante printed in America was Cary's translation, Philadelphia, 1822,—six years later than Hoole's Ariosto, and twelve years later than the same writer's Tasso. The selected sonnets and odes translated from Petrarch by George Frederick Nott, were

¹ Philadelphia, Henry Hudson, 1816. 6 vols. 24°.

² First American from the eighth London edition. Newburyport, E. Little & Co., etc., 1810. 2 vols. 8°.

⁸ Boston, J. Belcher, 1809. 12°. Same. New York, Inskeep & Bradford, etc. 1809.

reprinted in this country as early as 1809, which is also the date of the American issue of Mrs. Dobson's translation of De Sade's Life of Petrarch.¹ This antedating of Dante in America by the other three of the *quattro poeti italiani* is but another indication of the source of our first introduction to Italian literature. Both in England and America Dante came last, but seems destined to stay longest.

LORENZO DA PONTE.

The man to whom credit is due for being the first in America to direct attention to the beauties of Italian literature, and expound Dante to an American audience, is Lorenzo Da Ponte. This man of unique character and most varied fortune is by no means so well known as his personality and life would warrant. Born of Hebrew parents in 1749, in Ceneda, a small city in the province of Venetia, he was denied, owing to the popular prejudice against Jews, the privilege of attendance at the common schools.2 At the age of fourteen, feeling the need of greater educational advantages, he became a convert to Christianity and entered the seminary of his native town. where he found a protector in the Bishop Lorenzo Da Ponte, whose name he thenceforth assumed. Six years later, on the death of his patron, he left Ceneda and went to the seminary at Porto Gruaro, where a little later he held for two years a professorship of rhetoric. His subsequent novel experiences at Venice, his banishment thence and his journeying to Dresden and afterwards to Vienna in search of a position as court-poet, which he secured at the latter place and held for twelve years under Joseph II, his dismissal by Joseph's

¹ Philadelphia, A. Finley & W. H. Hopkins, 1809. 2 vols. 16°. Same. Boston, Farrand, Mallory & Co.

² We do not know Da Ponte's real name; he tells us very little about his own family. His Hebrew origin has been questioned, and the matter has been discussed pro and con. There is one little argument for it which I have never seen brought forward. In his discourse "Sull' Italia," of 1821, he quotes Exodus in the original Hebrew. If not brought up in the rabbinical lore, when and where did he learn the language of the Pentateuch?

successor and his departure for London, where he met with varied success until compelled by the failure of the Italian theatre there to seek anew his fortune in America at the age of sixty, — all this is delightfully told in his "Memorie." These were printed in Italian, New York, 1823, and in a revised and enlarged edition in 1829–30. The book is now exceedingly scarce and is mostly treasured by those who care to know more of the librettist of Mozart's "Don Giovanni" and "Il Nozze di Figaro." Despite faults common to the autobiographic writing of the time, Da Ponte's memoirs form very pleasant reading, and it is to be regretted that they are not to be had complete in any but the poorly printed volumes of the author's lifetime. The book has received more attention abroad than here, and has been translated into both French and German.²

¹ Da Ponte tells us that on the night in which he began "Don Giovanni" he started by reading a few lines from Dante's *Inferno*, in order, as he says, to put himself into good tune!

² In a copy of the French translation by M. C. D. de la Chavanne (Paris, 1860), belonging to the Library Company of Philadelphia, I find the following MS. note! "This translation was unfortunately made from the first edition. In 1829 Da Ponte published in Italian a second edition for his pupils, much fuller of entertaining facts and thoughts. I knew him intimately during four of his years in Sunbury. A perfectly honest man, a delightful companion, unsuspicious and often led into trouble by rogues. He was tall, well-built, very beautiful, and of highly polished manners. He was very temperate and regular in all his ways. He was thoroughly versed in Latin, which he quoted and spoke with fluency. He died in New York in 1838, aged 89; hence the translator has erred in making him say, p. 355, that he was then, at the publication of his first edition, in his ninety-seventh year. I was his family physician four years,—et nunc 'fungor inani mun'ere.'"

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Mr. H. E. Krehbiel, apropos of a performance of "Don Giovanni," in his "Review of the New York Musical Season, 1889-90," has written the best account of Da Ponte in America; he clears up many hitherto uncertain points. For other sketches, see Dr. John W. Francis' "Old New York," 1866, pp. 254, 260-269; Samuel Ward, Jr., in the New York Mirror, August, 1838 (afterwards reprinted for private circulation); H. T. Tuckerman in Putnam's Magazine, November, 1868, vol. xii, pp. 527-536, reprinted in the Dublin University Magazine, August, 1872, vol. lxxx, pp. 215-224; Mrs. Janet Ross in Macmillan's Magazine, November, 1891, vol. lxv, pp. 53-56; Prof. G. R. Carpenter in the Columbia [College] Literary Monthly, April, 1895, vol. iii, pp. 289-292.

It is not within our province to discuss the different aspects of Da Ponte's character. He himself confesses to a "debolezza," to which he attributes his many failures. He had no aptitude for business. and was constantly bringing his industrious wife to grief; yet he was always sure to be struck with fitting remorse for his faults, and was not sparing in self-reproach. During the first years of his residence in America, his ill-starred fate seems to have followed him; after spending a few years in New York, he embarked in various business ventures in one place and another, and soon fell an easy prey to unprincipled schemers. But on the 14th of August, 1818,-"benedetto sia il giorno," says he, - he bade good-bye to his country store at Sunbury, in Pennsylvania, and before long returned to New York. Here a more congenial life opened to him. He installed himself as bookseller and importer of Italian books and wares, and eked out his income by teaching the Italian language to a rapidly widening circle of cultured young men and women. He soon became a favorite tutor in the best families of the city. With young ladies he was particularly successful; he has printed, without correction, a number of Italian letters which he received from them, and it must be said that they are of a quality to do credit to both the aptness of the pupils and the efficiency of the teacher. They are of value to us in furnishing ample evidence of the enthusiasm for Italian literature inspired by the teaching of Da Ponte, and proving how popular an author Dante was among the pupils. Some of them send prose translations of passages from the Divina Commedia, and all evince for the poem a fondness born of the skill and care of their instructor. It is to these fair pupils that he makes this appeal in his "Orazione" of 1828: "Voi, voi mie carissime allieve, che di sangue più vivido, di fibre più sensibili, e di spiriti forse più delicati, io vidi tanto sovente

Arder, gelar, languir, fremer, gioire,

alla lettura de' nostri autori, voi facilmente potete intendere e dire, quanto agevole mi sarebbe abbagliare, innamorare, stordire, offrendo de' saggi d' incomparabile grandezza, sublimità, originalità nel poema di Dante." There is no doubt but that with Da Ponte teaching was a labor of love, and that he was truly fond of his young pupils and had their affection in return. He very prettily dedicates an edition

of three of his librettos to "tre leggiadrissimi fiori del suo toscano giardino."

Da Ponte is often brief on matters which to us seem of far greater importance than the entanglements and annoyances to which he was constantly subjected. We would gladly exchange some of his disquisitions upon the worthlessness of seeming friends and the repeated narration of business difficulties for a fuller account of his career as librettist before coming to America, or of his pedagogical experience after finally settling in our metropolis. His, however, is not the only autobiography with which this fault of lack of perspective is to be found. We must be thankful that he has given us an outline of his method of introducing pupils to Italian literature. He tells us that after he had drilled them in the rudiments of the language and had read with them the best writers of Tuscan prose suited to their respective attainments, he gave them the poets, beginning with Metastasio and Alfieri, and leading up to Tasso, Petrarch, and Dante. I translate from the second edition of his memoirs:

Although all these authors were generally loved, yet who was admired and studied the most? It was the Ghibelline. This most just admiration accorded to the father and chief of our literature impelled me to study with the greatest fervor that divine poem, so that I might throw light on its obscurities and explain its difficult passages. I had already studied and pondered the most celebrated commentators; nevertheless, it appearing to me that a place still remained for illustrations, I myself dared to make some for various cantos, which one of my most cultured pupils published in a journal which he was editing. Although my observations gave general pleasure, yet in order to assure myself of their value I decided to send a copy of them to Biagioli, truly a commentator of much merit, of whose annotations I circulated more than ten copies in America. In the preface appended to his first edition 1 he invites scholars of il bel paese to make known to him where he may have erred through ignorance or through too great ardor, and promises to receive con seno aperto their comments and corrections, and report them with the names of their authors in a new edition, if such were ever issued. Since, however, Signor Biagioli has neither received me con seno aperto, nor considered me worthy of a reply, I knew to my shame that he neither placed me among the scholars of Italy (and in this point I acknowledge him to be right), nor did he believe my

¹ Paris, 1818-19. Vol. i, p. xliv.

observations worthy of being reported by him. . . . Perhaps he thought it strange that an insignificant language-master, who has now been living for more than fifteen years in America, dares to hold opinions different from his own on the interpretation of Dante. But you know well, dear Signor Biagioli, that the good Homer sometimes nods, and that a man without eyes found a horse-shoe which others had not found with their eyes.

Da Ponte goes on to say that the tacit judgment of so erudite a philologist as Biagioli so discouraged him that he did not dare to continue the work of annotation which he had begun; nevertheless, he preferred to appeal to the scholars of Italy for a 'decision as to the merit of his ideas, and to this end he purposed appending to the third volume of his memoirs a note giving the main differences between his interpretations and those of Biagioli, but, I regret to say, the volume comes to an end without any such note appearing.

These references to his differings with Biagioli have long been known to Dantists interested in Da Ponte, but no one could tell what they were or where they had been published. It was only after a long search that I found them in a magazine edited by his son-in-law, Professor Henry J. Anderson (the favorite pupil to whom he so frequently refers), in conjunction with William Cullen Bryant and Robert C. Sands. The journal came into existence in May, 1825, was known as the New York Review and Athenœum Magazine, and died on entering upon its second year. As copies of it are to be found in but few of our libraries, I have thought it desirable to reprint in an appendix this earliest contribution from America to the textual criticism of the Divina Commedia.

In the *Rivista Contemporanea* for May, 1861, Jacopo Bernardi wrote on "La *Divina Commedia* interpretata per la prima volta da Lorenzo Da Ponte agli Americani." He speaks of Da Ponte as an "infaticabile promulgatore delle glorie dantesche," and prints "alcune eloquenti pagine che intorno all' Alighieri scriveva Lorenzo Da Ponte, quando recava, insieme all' insegnamento della lingua italiana, il conoscimento e l'affetto del massimo nostro scrittore in America." He gives the following from Da Ponte's "Storia incredibile ma vera" of 1833: 1

¹ Nuova Jorca, Joseph Desnoues, 1833. 16°. pp. 35. This constitutes the second part of his "Storia della compagnia dell' opera italiana condotta da Giacomo Montresor in America in agosto dell' anno 1832." [New York, 1833.]

Son passati omai venti otto anni da che vivo in America. Conobbi all' arrivo mio che niente vi si sapea della lingua e letteratura italiana, e animato da patrio zelo e dall' amore del bene, credei che fosse cosa da me l' introdurvele. Se quegli, dicev' io, che porta un' erba salutifera, un fiore leggiadro, una pianta di frutto raro in un paese straniero, è dalla gente lodato, di quanta maggior lode non dee reputarsi degno colui che per la prima volta vi porta la più dolce di tutte le moderne favelle e la più vasta e ammirabile letteratura? Io toccava l' anno cinquantesimo sesto quando giunsi in America, e all' anno cinquantesimo nono mi posi al nobile cimento. Sono ora vicino all' ottantesimo quinto, e in questo spazio di tempo, io solo, io non favorito dalla fortuna, anzi da continue disavventure e peripezie travagliato e sbattuto, ebbi il constante coraggio d'introdurre e questa lingua e questa letteratura nella più ampia parte del globo, d'instruire più di due mila persone, di spargerne il fulgore per tutte le sue principali città, di eccitare l'ammirazione e il desiderio de' suoi tesori colle pubbliche letture, cogli scritti, colle autorità, coi cataloghi degli scrittori ; difenderle, se criticate da scioli, da invidi, da ignoranti, e di elevarle a cotanta altezza, che non solamente note, ma care e pregiate divennero ai più colti e svegliati della Nazione, e a' veri amatori dell' utile e dilettevole. Consecrando per venticinque anni continui il tempo, le cure e gli studii alla gloria della mia patria, trassi da varie parti d' Europa più di 24,000 volumi di scelte opere ; e quanto di più mirabile ha l' antica e moderno italica scola nelle più gravi e astruse scienze, non che nelle belle lettere ed arti, fu recato da me negli Stati Uniti d' America, incominciando da Dante co' suoi migliori contemporanei e dall' immortal Galileo al La Grangia . . . fino alle odierne leggiadrissime produzioni.

Bernardi also quotes from an address by Da Ponte, which he says was printed in New York in 1824 with other of Da Ponte's writings. This portion of Bernardi's account of his fellow-countryman was reprinted in the *Giornale del Centenario*, and Mr. Lane 1 and others, reading it there with Bernardi's introductory note, drew from the latter the inference that Da Ponte published a series of lectures on Dante. I see no reason to believe that the following is anything but an extract from an introductory lecture to a course of readings from Dante, or Italian literature, and that it appeared in one of the miscellanies which Da Ponte published about this time.

^{1 &}quot;The Dante Collections in the Harvard College and Boston Public Libraries," 1890, p. 60b.

. . . Qual obbligazione però non ha Firenze e l' Italia tutta a questo immortal cittadino per averle con quel suo maraviglioso poema data una lingua tanto perfetta, che sino dal suo cominciamento ottenne tal preminenza su tutte le altre, e l' ottenne mostrandosi capace fin dalla cuna di somministrare i materiali per un edifizio sì vasto, sì nuovo, sì vario, sì sorprendente come tutti dicono essere la *Divina Commedia*?

Se però la sublimità del soggetto, la moltiplicità delle materie, la lontananza de' tempi e de' fatti, e la quantità delle immagini e de' pensieri reconditi e con voci e maniere nuove spiegati; se finalmente la massa delle gravi ed astruse dottrine contenute in un testo ora mutilato ed ora variato rese in molti luoghi difficile l' intelligenza di tal poeta, fu cosa degna dei nostri maggiori, ed è simigliantemente di noi, il cercare e adottare tutti i mezzi possibili per facilitarne la intelligenza, e questo non solo per l' utilità e pel diletto che da un lavoro tanto mirabile si può trarre, ma per diffondere e manifestare in ogni tempo di più in più il merito impareggiabile d' un ingegno sì peregrino, e la nostra riconoscenza per la gloria che ricade da quello sulla nazione italiana. . . .

After sketching the rise and spread of the study of Dante in the different parts of Europe, Da Ponte concludes thus:

E che fece l' America? Mi permettano gli amici miei e della verità di darmi il vanto glorioso d' essere stato il primo a portarlo in questa città, a leggerlo a un numero ragguardevole di quegli allievi ch' ebbi la sorte di educare nella nostra lingua, a far loro gustar le bellezze maravigliose del nostro primo poeta, a far ornare le biblioteche della studiosa gioventù de' suoi preziosi volumi, come di quelli della lor propria lingua, a destare in uno de' più svegliati coltivatori della lingua italiana l' onorato desiderio di dare anche all' America una nuova traduzione di sì grand' opera.1 Ma ciò è poco, signori, al mio vivissimo zelo per questo luminare della mia patria, è poco alla brama che nutro d'esser utile, per quanto le mie poche forze e le mie cognizioni permettono, agli abitanti onorati di una città che mi accolse graziosamente, che secondò i desiderii miei, che ricompensò e incoraggì in varii modi le fatiche e le cure mie; è poco infine alla ben giusta gratitudine del mio core; ed è per questo che ho proposto di rendere ancor più diffusa la fama del nostro poeta, leggendolo a' colti e svegliati ingegni di New York; è per questo che assunsi il dolce ed onorevole incarico di insegnare

¹ We have no evidence of this having gone any farther than the praiseworthy desire. Anderson is probably the person to whom reference is made. For many years he held a professorship in Columbia College, and though his specialty was mathematics, he was a man of broad culture and was attracted towards literature.

la lingua creata da lui a quelli che ancor non la sanno, o che non la sanno abbastanza per intendere le varie bellezze, le profonde dottrine e gli alti misteri trattati con penna *non homini data* de tanto Genio.

Da Ponte was accorded the privilege of officiating at Columbia College in the capacity of a private tutor; he drew no salary from the College itself, though he is commonly spoken of as having held a professorship there from 1826 to 1837. "Professor sine exemplo." savs he. "cioè senza scolari e senza stipendio." Nevertheless he succeeded in attracting attention to his favorite theme, and in bringing into the library of that institution many Italian works in various branches of literature. The best Italian authors were represented by a collection of books which Da Ponte made and sold to the New York Society Library. Through him also the Library of Congress secured a superb edition of Dante and copies of the other most important writers of Italy. Making due allowance for Da Ponte's egotism, which sometimes prompts him to paint his own achievements in rather vivid colors, — but which is not of the unpleasant kind, we must grant that we were the gainers by the misfortunes which drove him to this country. The change in the state of local interest in Italian literature between the time of his arrival in New York, when he could find in all that city but one book written in his native tongue, an old "Decamerone," and thirty years later, when his career was drawing to a close, must be largely attributed to his influence. even while we bear in mind the fact that the intellectual interests of the people were broadening.1

Towards the end of his life, Da Ponte was oppressed by a constant fear of being deprived of the credit attaching to his various achievements, and of dying unwept and unhonored, — in the main, a

¹ Another cultivated Italian of a half-century ago to devote himself in his later years to teaching his native language in America was Piero Maroncelli, the fellow-prisoner of Silvio Pellico at Spielberg. For a considerable time he lived in Cambridge, Mass., and an English translation by Mrs. Andrews Norton, of Pellico's "Le mie prigioni," with Maroncelli's additions and some of his miscellaneous writings, was published there in 1836. Still another in this group was Filippo Mancinelli, who published in Philadelphia, n.d., an Italian reader for the use of his pupils. Of Pietro Bachi, the instructor in Italian at Harvard University from 1826 to 1846, I shall have something to say when I speak of Longfellow's work at Harvard.

fear destined to be realized. This strain runs through all his later writings, and one of his last publications is dedicated "a pochi dei miei allievi ed amici che si ricordano ancora di me." In the preface to the same volume he utters this lament: "Io ho instruiti in 28 anni nello studio della mia lingua, che IO, E NON ALTRI, introdussi in America, duemila cinquecento persone. Duemila quattrocento e novanta quattro persone si sono dimenticate di me, e posso dire anch' io col Reale Profeta, dereliquerunt me amici mei." His declining years were enveloped in obscurity, and, though we cannot search out the reasons for it, we know that he died in straitened circumstances, with but few staunch friends left him. Before long the place of his burial was forgotten; to-day it is as lost as that of his former collaborator Mozart.

GEORGE TICKNOR.

George Ticknor gave an impetus to the study of Dante in this country by instituting, during his occupancy (1819–35) of the chair of modern languages at Harvard, a course of lectures and readings devoted to the *Divina Commedia* and its author. The work thus begun has been taken up in turn by such able interpreters of the best in literature as Longfellow, Lowell, and Norton, and under their care the course has naturally proved a permanent attraction among the culture studies of that university. Ticknor himself was not much concerned with the literary and historical significance of Dante's work, but was attracted rather to its linguistic interpretation. His studies were always of a linguistic and historical nature, and the notes he made on the *Divina Commedia* have to do with the word and not with the spirit of the poem.

In 1815, a young man of twenty-four, Ticknor went abroad for the purpose of study. He had already conceived an interest in the early

¹ Il Mezenzio, tragedia originale. Nuova Jorca, Joseph Desnoues, 1834. 18° pp. 77+ (2).

Italian poets, and before leaving home had sought in vain for some help in reading Dante. In Germany he met with better success: Herr Balhorn, a tutor to some royal family in Göttingen, offered to introduce him to the Divina Commedia. "Balhorn," says Ticknor, "knew everything about Dante. He was not fully occupied, but he could not be hired, —he was too well off to be paid in money. A brother of my friend Mr. James Savage had sent me from Hamburg a box of very fine Havana cigars, and I found that Herr Balhorn would read and explain Dante to me and consider some of those fine cigars — so rare in Germany — a full compensation; and he continued the reading certainly as long as the cigars lasted." Ticknor speaks of having a copy of Dante always with him during this early sojourn in Europe, and he continued to read and study him after his return to America.

On entering upon his professorship at Harvard, he undertook some reforms in the management of his department; thus he insisted that a speaking knowledge of the modern languages studied should always be striven for. In his spirited address on the best method of teaching the living languages, he remarks that "the great masters in all ages and in all nations have built on the same foundations, and can be successfully approached only in one way." "Who," he asks, "can be aware either of the sublimity or the tenderness of Dante unless he studies that unwritten language from which alone this first and greatest master of Italian poetry could draw his material and inspiration?" Here, perhaps, we have a partial explanation for the linguistic nature of his study of Dante.

In 1831 he was lecturing three times a week to a special class in Dante, and in one of his letters, he speaks of having spent his summer vacation in the study of this one author, devoting to him often twelve and fourteen hours a day, "with uninterrupted and equable pleasure." "If I am not a better man for it," he writes, "and a happier one, too, why I shall have misused my opportunities scandalously, as many better men have done before me."

During his second residence in Europe Mr. Ticknor had the good fortune to meet, at Dresden, Prince John of Saxony, "Philalethes," well known to Dante students, and to attend the gatherings called for the purpose of reading over and revising the first draft of Prince John's

translation.¹ The honest and candid criticism passed in this informal way upon the work in its first stage brings to mind the Wednesday evening assemblies of a generation later at Longfellow's home in

¹ In his journal for 1836, Ticknor gives the following account of those meetings:

January 8. I passed—by appointment made according to the court ceremonies—an hour this afternoon with Prince John. Nothing could be more simple and unpretending than his manners. I wanted to see him on account of his knowledge of Dante, of whose Inferno he has printed a translation with very good notes; and during the greater part of the time I was with him he was occupied in showing me the books and apparatus he had collected for the study of the great Italian master. Some of them were quite curious. . . In all respects I found him well informed, in some learned, and he was truly agreeable because it was plain he desired to be so.

His establishment is very elegant and luxurious, and his study, where he received me, looked truly scholar-like and comfortable. Among other things he showed me a beautiful collection of drawings in an album, relating to Dante, which had been from time to time given to him by his family, — all original, of course, and two or three by Retzsch, of the greatest vigor and beauty, and executed in pencil with the most delicate finish.

January 20. I passed an hour this forenoon with Prince John, in looking over the apparatus criticus he has used in his study of Dante. It was less complete than I expected to find it, but more curious. I made a good many memoranda. and shall turn the visit to good account. He was, I thought, free in showing me everything, conscientious in confessing to some little oversights and ignorances, and glad to get any hints that will be useful to him hereafter; but, on the whole, it is quite plain his study of Dante has been most thorough, and that his knowledge and feeling of the power and beauty of the Inferno and Purgatorio are really extraordinary. With the Paradiso he has not yet made a beginning, — I mean, with its translation.

January 31. This evening Prince John invited four of us — Professor Förster,* the translator of Petrarca, Dr. Carus, Count Baudissin, and myself — to hear Tieck read a part of the unpublished translation of the Purgatorio. I went punctually at six. . . . After coffee and a little conversation, we all sat down at a table, and Tieck read, most admirably, five cantos, beginning with the eighteenth.† The rest of us looked over the original text, and at the end of each canto observations were made on the translation. There was not, however, one word of compliment offered, or the smallest flattery insinuated. On the contrary, errors were pointed out fairly and honestly; and once or twice, where there was a difference of opinion between the Prince and Carus, Carus adhered, even with pertinacity, to his own, which, in one case, I thought was wrong. The transla-

^{*} Five years later, in 1841, Förster published his translation of Dante's Vita Nuova.

[†] Tieck had the reputation of being at that time the best reader in Germany.

Cambridge, where his friends were equally frank in expressing their opinions of his work. These are two delightful instances of scholarly and friendly intercourse into which small bickerings did not enter, yet from which open discussion was not excluded. A memorandum made by Mr. Ticknor many years later recalls the pleasure of those winter evenings in Dresden:

The little meetings at Prince John's were, I believe, sometimes called the "Accademia Dantesca," and extended through the years when the Prince was making his translation. I went to only two or three of them, in the winter of 1835–36, and never met anybody at them except Tieck, Carus, and Karl Förster, though I believe other persons were occasionally there, especially the Mit-Regent, afterwards King Frederic. I think there are notices of them in the Life of Förster, 1846, where I am kindly remembered as meeting him at the Prince's, which I never did except on these occasions. Förster was an excellent Italian scholar, and translated, as early as 1807, from Dante. So was Carus, who made a plan of the Divina Commedia, of which he gave me a copy, still to be found in my large paper Landino. Tieck was not so exact in his Italian as they were, but was more genial and agreeable.

In a letter to Prince John, Ticknor speaks of Dante as a "mare magnum for adventure," and adds: "Every time I read him I make, or I think I make, new discoveries." He was in the habit of jotting down his favorite rendering of a word or passage on the margins of a copy of the Venice edition of 1811, which was his vade mecum. "I bought it in Geneva in 1817," says he to his daughter in an unpublished note of 1853, "and from that time have made my chief

tion, however, was as close as anything of the sort well can be, and in general, I have no doubt, most faithfully accurate. After the reading was over, and refreshments had been handed around, the conversation was very gay, and fell at last into downright story-telling and commérage.

February 20. I was engaged this evening at Tieck's, but we were both summoned to Prince John's, where, to the same party that was there before, — vis. Förster, Carus, and Baudissin, — Tieck read five more cantos of the Prince's translation of the Purgatorio, XXIV-XXIX. Everything went on just as it did before, and was equally creditable to all parties concerned in it, the criticisms being free, full, and fair, and the spirit in which they were received that of a person really disposed to profit by them.

¹ A privately printed broadside, in possession of his daughter, Miss Anna E. Ticknor, to whom I am indebted for many courtesies.

studies of Dante in it, taking it with me on my travels in Europe then and . . . in 1835-38. Add to this my manuscript notes in three quartos and you will have pretty much all I know about Dante."

The notes to which he refers were in the main the skeleton of his lectures and class-room work at Harvard; many of them are but expansions of the marginal notes in his special copy of the poem. From the fly-leaves of the three manuscript volumes we learn that the notes on the Inferno were prepared at Blue Hills, July and August, 1832: those on cantos i.-xxix. of the Purgatorio at Rome, January and February, 1837; while the remainder of the work was done at Wood's Holl in July and August, 1840. His friend, Count Circourt, had read the first two volumes, and expressed the hope that their contents would be prepared for the press; but the publication since that day of the early comments and other material then not easy of access, from which Ticknor drew, has made it needless. The notes are of interest to us only as they show the breadth of Ticknor's scholarship. The first pages are concerned with such introductory topics as the political state of Italy, the state of religious power and opinion, and of poetry and language in the time of Dante, together with a sketch of his life in which he questions some of Boccaccio's statements. Then comes a brief account of Dante's works. In his analysis of the Divina Commedia he puts the question, "What kind of a poem?" and makes answer that it is "no more an epic than a comedy. It is essentially historical. [The] glories and calamities of Italy, its parties, princes, and great men [are] shown in the strong light of the genius, indignation, and misfortunes, the passions, prejudices, and sufferings of one extraordinary man." Ticknor grasps a point which was often misunderstood in his day, — that is, Dante's sense of justice. It is one of the very few of Dante's personal attributes upon which he has any comment whatsoever to make. He finds proof of it in the treatment of Bocca degli Abati, of Beccaria, and of Soldanier, irrespective of party, and remarks that in each case "it was the treason Dante hated"; he also notes "a singular exhibition of it" in Dante's putting Farinata among the heretics in the sixth circle, "for though a Ghibelline and a saviour of his country, . . . he took away from the people the example of a religious chief." Of Dante's minor works, Ticknor characterizes the Vita Nuova as "mystical," the De MonarWILDE. 23

chia as "remarkable for its clear distinction between Church and State," the Setti Salmi Penitenziali as "monkish," and finds fault with the Convito for its "bad allegory."

RICHARD HENRY WILDE.

Another American who devoted considerable time to the study of Dante, with a view to publishing what he never lived to complete, was Richard Henry Wilde, of Georgia, who spent some four years in Italy in the study of Italian history and literature. Mr. Wilde was a man of marked strength of character and innate refinement of feeling, and as he had had no academic training he endeavored, throughout a busy legal and political life, to gain, by constant application to books, what he had missed by lacking the opportunities of instruction in youth. He is remembered chiefly for his lyric "My Life is Like a Summer Rose," and for the part he had in the discovery of the Bargello fresco popularly ascribed to Giotto. Others have taken to themselves the greater share of the honor attaching to this latter achievement. He has claim to our present consideration through his unpublished "Life and Times of Dante" and "The Italian Lyric Poets."

He was not a native of America, as has sometimes been stated, but was born in Ireland in 1789, and came to this country in 1797, spending his boyhood in Baltimore. On the death of his father the family removed to Georgia, and the young man took to the study of law in the few leisure moments left him by an exacting clerkship. His subsequent career at the bar and in Congress commands our admiration. The success with which he met enabled him to seek retirement in Italy at a comparatively early age, and he sailed for Europe in the summer of 1835. On his return he published in 1841 his work on Tasso, which was well received. Though he accepted a professorship in the law department of the newly established University of Louisiana, he still hoped to find leisure to put into shape for publication his "Life and Times of Dante," and to complete the

translations for "The Italian Lyric Poets"; but his life was brought to an untimely close by the yellow-fever epidemic of 1847.1

It is generally understood that a preface, or foreword, should be a last word coming from the author's pen, written after he has worked over his subject from beginning to end and is best able to define his position and make his apology. When one sits down to write this proem before his book is half finished, it is pretty safe to conjecture that all does not go well with him in his task. Now, Wilde has left interesting prefaces to his two incomplete volumes. From their tone it is plainly evident that their author had serious misgivings as to the success with which his work would meet. It was more than modesty that forced him to say in regard to his experiments in translation that the frequency of like folly and the strength of the temptation would possibly secure for his effort no worse a fate than that which had attended others, - pity and neglect. In 1867, his son, William Cumming Wilde, endeavored to secure a publisher for the Dante volume, and, with the same end in view, added biographical sketches to the unfinished portions of the volume of translations. He failed, however, to find any one who would risk the expense of printing, twenty-five years after their writing, two such

¹ Among the editorials of the Southern and Western Magazine and Review for August, 1845, vol. ii, p. 144, a short-lived venture of William Gilmore Simms, is found this notice of Wilde's work: "We are pleased to learn that the life of Dante, by Richard Henry Wilde, of New Orleans, is in rapid preparation for the press. Mr. Wilde has had this work in hand for a considerable length of time. He has bestowed the utmost pains upon it, as well in regard to the acquisition and analysis of his material as in careful finish of his style. We have had the pleasure of hearing portions of the work read, by the accomplished writer himself, and we feel quite safe in making these assurances. Mr. Wilde has enjoyed many advantages for the preparation of this biography - has spent several years in Italy, is a master of the language, and has been an industrious explorer among its ancient records. He has been fortunate in making some valuable and interesting discoveries. A new portrait of Dante, exhibiting the stern and gloomy master, with equal felicity and truthfulness, is, we believe, due entirely to the persevering nature of his researches. We look anxiously for this work as an honorable addition to American and particularly to Southern literature." Simms himself knew Dante and translated the fifth canto of the Inferno into quite creditable triple-rhymed English verse.

Longfellow makes mention of Wilde ("with his white floating locks") in his journal for Oct. 2, 1845.

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bulky works, left in an unfinished state and wanting in proportion. Instead of weighting the lyrics with long lives of the poets, more suited to an encyclopædia than to an anthology, the translations, which are chiefly of sonnets, ought to have been gone over carefully and printed separately. Wilde was at his best in dealing with the sonnet form; with the canzone he did not succeed so well. The following is a most satisfactory translation of a favorite sonnet from Dante's *Canzoniere*:

GUIDO VORREI CHE TU E LAPO ED 10.

Guido, I would that Lapo, thou, and I
Were by some kind enchantment borne away
In a brave ship that o'er the sea should fly
And, spite of wind and tide, our will obey:
So that ne'er fickle fortune nor foul weather
Should interrupt our course or mar our peace,
And living free and happily together,
The wish to live so ever, might increase.
Vanna and Beatricè should be there
With her who o'er the thirty reigns supreme
(That too should be the good enchanter's care);
And love should be our everlasting theme,
As much contented they our lot to share
As we our fate to blend with theirs, I deem.

The incompleteness of the work on "The Italian Lyric Poets" is shown by the unfinished state in which Wilde left the portion devoted to Dante. There are but two renderings beyond the one just given, and no biographical sketch. In another portion of the manuscript we find a translation of Boccaccio's difficult sonnet, which may well be given here.

DANTE ALIGHIERI SON, MINERVA OSCURA.

Dante am I, the oracle obscure
Of wisdom and of art divinely sung,
Who formed the accents of my mother tongue,
To eloquence laconic, bold, and pure.

My fancy high, prompt, daring, and secure,
Passed Tartarus, and up to Heaven sprung,
And o'er the story of my journey flung
A beauty destined ever to endure.
Florence my glorious mother was, to me
More like a step-dame, though her loving child, —
The fault of civil strife and calumny.
Ravenna gave me shelter when exiled,
And keeps my dust; my soul to God on high
Rose from its earthly prison undefiled.

The "Life and Times of Dante" was planned to consist of two volumes, but no more than the first was ever written. The manuscript consists of about eight hundred closely written quarto sheets, the last of which is dated Oct. 10, 1842. As it stands, it deals more with the times in which Dante lived than with his life. A score of appendices, to which references are made throughout the volume, are lost or were never written.

Though even more unsuited for publication to-day than in 1867, the work is of interest to us as outlining methods of research quite common in America half a century ago, and in helping us to appreciate the growth of American scholarship in this particular field. In order to get Wilde's own account of what he endeavored to do, I print a considerable portion of the preface to his "Life and Times of Dante":

During a residence of some years in Florence, I had more leisure on my hands than a busy life ever before allowed me. Part of it was occupied with the study of Italian literature. As an exercise in translation and composition I wrote the "Researches and Conjectures on the Love and Madness of Tasso," and, while thus engaged, anxiously endeavored to obtain access to the Medicean archives, with the hope of finding some inedited letters, of his own and others, bearing on his story. The desired permission was not obtained soon enough for my purpose. It came to me at length, unexpectedly, through the gracious indulgence of His Imperial and Royal Highness, the Grand Duke of Tuscany, and the courtesy of his ministers, among whom I am especially indebted to His Excellency Don Neri de' Principi Corsini, Secretary of State. . . . I was then engaged in translating specimens of the Italian lyric poets, and composing short biographical notices of each author; and, being much puzzled with the obscurities and contradictions abounding in the ordinary lives of Dante,

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it occurred to me to seek in the archives thus fortunately opened to my curiosity whatever explanations they might afford. . . .

My first step was the study of an alphabet and the still more cramped and crabbed abbreviations of the notaries of the Signoria, a sort of official shorthand which constantly varied, as each officer used his own. . . . I threw aside everything else and devoted myself assiduously to the business of collecting and extracting. . . .

Confident in my own resources, like an American woodsman, with my axe on my shoulder, I entered the forest. Never, most assuredly, since I bivouacked in my boyhood amid a wilderness lately in the possession of the Indians, beside a rousing fire, the earth for my bed, the sky my canopy, a saddle for my pillow, and a blanket to cover me, — never since then did so deep a sense of my own insignificance and the enduring solitude of ages come over me as in my first visit to the Florentine archives. Suites of rooms whose large size and immense height would befit a royal palace, crammed with books and folio files of papers from top to bottom, filled me at once with wonder and despair. From this enormous mine the history of centuries had been extracted, and yet, like mountain quarries out of which cities have arisen, the materials were not missed, the mass was undiminished. . . .

For some time, like a child in a blooming meadow, I wearied myself grasping at everything, weeds as well as flowers, entirely unconscious of their respective value, until my hands were full and my eyes still greedy. It soon became clear, however, that some one object embracing a very limited period must be selected or my efforts would be merely a waste of labor. The life of Dante was chosen, and as materials increased, his times were added.

Here one already sees the mark of the dilettante. Wilde never reached the point of trained scholarship and discrimination so necessary to the investigator and historian. He had a great fund of enthusiasm, and, as Washington Irving said of him, he went about his work with all the "patience and accuracy of a case hunter." In fact, he shows himself the advocate by the eagerness with which he supports his favorite theories in the case of certain vexed questions. Not that he was a biased investigator, nor that he was unwilling to give up a cherished tradition, once overthrown; but until disproved, the pleasing figments of time had for him the usual attraction they hold alike for the poet and dilettante, and Wilde was somewhat of both. But to return to his narrative.

While endeavoring to become familiar with the writings of the ancient records, I employed my mornings at the Riformagioni, in reading the general index literally through. Many references stimulated my curiosity and were carefully noted, but the general result was a severe trial to my patience, ending in disappointment. This and various other indices I found were framed, as it is proper they should be, rather for the present administrative purposes of the government than the gratification of historical or antiquarian tastes. Accordingly they are most diffuse where I could have wished them concise, and brief where the greatest minuteness would have been acceptable. My first experiments of this sort convinced me fully that if I really wished to explore the ground faithfully, there was nothing for it but examine page by page and document by document every book and file that related to my epoch. This was a serious task, and threatened to occupy me, as in fact it did, for years. Besides, I gradually became aware how utterly unqualified 1 was for my pursuit. Conversation with the archivists and with various other persons of talent and education, lovers of Dante, and skilled in the history of their country, who were patient and urbane enough to listen to my crude notions, and answer all my vague and random questions, soon convinced me how much I had to learn. It was absolutely necessary that I should inform myself as far as possible of all that had already been published or written in relation to my subject. Unwilling wholly to forego an examination of the archives, lest accident should close them on me forever, yet sensible that there were many books to be read, and in the public libraries many manuscripts to be consulted, before I could tell what had been already found, what was still to seek, and what had often been sought in vain, I resolved to make a threefold distribution of my time. Two or three hours of the morning, usually from nine to twelve, were given to the Riformagioni. As soon as my eyes became weary with the crabbed and sometimes faded characters of ancient parchments, I betook myself to the Magliabecchiana and remained until two, reading manuscripts in a more modern hand. My afternoons and evenings were devoted to the Commedia and other works of Dante, to Compagni, Villani, Malispini, Boccaccio, Benvenuto da Imola, Muratori, Ammirato, Tiraboschi, Andres, Lami, Pelli, Arrivabene, and a hundred others, many of whose works I read again and again, and of some made a constant and profound study.

. . . Had I begun with a full understanding of the achievements of my learned predecessors, assuredly I should have gone no farther. How often afterward, in studying the many and huge-tomed *Spogli* and *Zibaldoni* of Ferdinando Migliore, Cosimo della Rena, Senator Carlo di Tommaso Strozzi, Gammurini, the anonymous volumes erroneously attributed to

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Borghini, and various similar collections, has the cold and bitter feeling of despondency overcome me, with the self-interrogation: What after all this can I hope to effect? Here are men who lived and died in the process of investigating and extracting, and after amassing this immense quantity of material have finished comparatively little. My ignorance thus again stood my friend, until I waded so far into my undertaking that to desist would have been more vexatious than to proceed, and I went on with dogged obstinacy, borrowing courage from despair. . . .

I examined everything belonging to my era in the archives, line by line. Hence the fortunate discovery of a record establishing Dante's services as one of the secret council, and his votes against furnishing troops to Boniface VIII, which, strange and almost incredible to say, had escaped all my predecessors. Hence various other discoveries enabling me, as I hope, to arrange and elucidate the order of events during a short, but most perplexed, period of Florentine history, whose confusion all had admitted and despaired of correcting. Hence a vindication in many points of the old biographers and commentators, most unjustly censured. Hence the identification of one of the young men poisoned during the faction of 1300, — Pigello Portinari, as a brother of Beatrice and a friend of Dante. . . . Hence the satisfactory solution of that hitherto unsettled question, — the poet's Roman virtue in recommending the banishment of his best friend, Guido Cavalcanti, and the full conviction of his own innocence, and the iniquity of the sentence passed upon him by his enemies. . .

The systematic searching which has been going on during recent years has brought to light all that Wilde was able to turn up, and a great deal more. The indefatigable Del Lungo has it nearly all in his masterpiece of scholarly editing and annotation, "La Cronica di Dino Compagni." Wilde, however, came to some novel conclusions in regard to the Pigello Portinari mentioned by Villani, and I give them here for what they may be worth. Wilde has just been discussing the poisoning, at the hands of Ser Neri degli Abati, of some of the young men imprisoned in default of the fines imposed upon them for taking part in the faction fight at Remole. Ser Neri was one of the keepers of the Paliazze, the prison of the nobles.

Among the innocent victims of Ser Neri degli Abati's base and murderous treason was one of the family of Portinari. Giovanni Villani identifies him by his Christian name, but no one has yet remarked, or at least no one has yet proved, that this Pigello de' Portinari was certainly, or almost certainly,

a brother of Dante's Beatrice, and possibly, the very brother who was the poet's intimate friend. . . .

Folco de Portinari, the father of Beatrice, was the founder of the celebrated hospital of Santa Maria Nuova, in Florence, and his will has been preserved. Besides his daughter and other children, he mentions in it his sons Pigello, Gherardo, and Jacobo, at that time (1287) all minors. Of these Pigello was no doubt the eldest, as they would naturally be named in the order of seniority; but without some more definite evidence of his age it must always remain uncertain whether he was not too young in 1298 to take part in these unhappy factions. This proof has been anxiously sought for and at length found. In 1294 a resolution of the Priori subrogated to Pigello di Folco Portinari and others all the rights of the Comune against Dino Ubertini, for whom they became security, and on account of which a sentence was rendered on the seventh of the previous December. Before December, 1294, therefore, Pigello was of age; and his identity is fully established by his being called Pigello di Folco, - that is to say, according to the Florentine usage, "the son of Folco." Even the ambiguity that would arise upon the gratuitous supposition that there might be another Folco de' Portinari at the time is removed by the word "quondam," showing that the deceased Folco was intended. To suppose two Folchi, both deceased and both leaving sons called Pigello, at the same epoch, is an outrage on all probability which receives no countenance from the records of the time. In none of these has any other Folco or Pigello been observed, though both names were afterwards continued in the family. The latter, indeed, is by no means a common baptismal appellation, and has been remarked only once besides, in the person of Pigello de' Cerchi, whose house was doubtless allied to the Portinari by marriage. The Canonico Cavaliere Folco Antonio Maria de' Portinari, therefore, who compiled the memoirs of his family, . . . though he enters into no critical examination of the facts, adopts without hesitation the Pigello de' Portinari spoken of by Giovanni Villani as the son of Folco mentioned in his will.

There are many other passages in this work which are well worth printing, but they are mostly concerned with the times leading up to Dante, and with matter introductory to a consideration of the poet himself. The scope of the present sketch does not permit of the fuller presentation of material from these interesting manuscripts. Before leaving Wilde, however, we must review the part he had in the discovery in 1840 of the portrait of Dante, to which reference has already been made.

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As there has been so much discussion concerning the division of the credit attaching to the discovery of the Giotto fresco, it is to be regretted that we do not have Wilde's own account of the movement which we have all reason to believe was set on foot by him. All that he says of the matter in the body of his work is that "the circumstances attending the recovery of the fresco, which have been differently related, according to the self-love of every narrator, are thought worthy of preservation as matters of history, and have therefore been embodied in the appendix." Though the latter is unhappily lost, we have a disinterested account of the undertaking by Washington Irving, who wrote of the discovery in the Knickerbocker Magazine for October, 1841. The details of his narrative are corroborated, as far as they go, by the letter from Signor Bezzi, to which we shall come shortly.

It was during the time he was devoting himself to Tasso, says Irving, that Wilde first heard of the probable existence of the Giotto fresco. His informer was Carlo Liverati, a Florentine artist of some merit, who spoke with regret of the almost utter hopelessness of its recovery. Wilde thought little of the matter at the time, but a few years later, when engaged in the study of Dante, it was again brought to his attention, and this time aroused his deepest interest. In reading Domenico Moreni's notes on Filelfo's "Vita Dantis," he found mention of the Giotto fresco, and he also learned that, some years previously, Luigi Scotti, keeper of the drawings in the royal galleries at Florence, had made "an ineffectual attempt to set on foot a project for the recovery of the lost treasure." "Here," continues Irving, "was a new vein of inquiry, which Wilde followed up with his usual energy and sagacity." The remainder is best told in Irving's own words:

For a moment he felt an impulse to undertake the enterprise; but feared that, in a foreigner from a new world, any part of which is unrepresented at the Tuscan court, it might appear like an intrusion. He soon, however,

¹ Moreni's note is as follows: "Il nostro pittore Sig. Luigi Scotti ha veduta, ed esaminata essa Cappella, e avendovi scorta qualche traccia indubitata di pittura, egli stesso colla sua già nota pazienza non sarebbe alieno, qualora gli fosse ordinato, di far risorgere essa pittura, e con essa il Ritratto del nostro immortal Poeta, di cui al certo non avremmo il più antico nè il più simigliante."— Vita Dantis, Florentiae, 1828, pp. 123, 124.

found a zealous coadjutor. This was one Giovanni Aubrey Bezzi, a Piedmontese exile, who had long been a resident in England, and was familiar with its language and literature. . . . Signor Bezzi partook deeply of the enthusiasm of his countrymen for the memory of Dante, and sympathized with Mr. Wilde in his eagerness to retrieve, if possible, the lost portrait. They had several consultations as to the means to be adopted to effect their purpose, without incurring the charge of undue officiousness. To lessen any objections that might occur, they resolved to ask for nothing but permission to search for the fresco painting at their own expense; and should any remains of it be found, then to propose to the nobility and gentry of Florence an association for the purpose of completing the undertaking, and effectually recovering the lost portrait.

For the same reason, the formal memorial addressed to the Grand Duke was drawn up in the name of the Florentines, among whom were the celebrated Bartolini, President of the School of Sculpture in the Imperial and Royal Academy, Signor Paolo Ferroni, of the noble family of that name, who has exhibited considerable talent for painting, and Signor Gasparini, also an artist. This petition was urged and supported with indefatigable zeal by Signor Bezzi; and being warmly countenanced by Count Nerli, and other functionaries, met with more prompt success than had been anticipated. Signor Marini, a skilful artist, who had succeeded in similar operations, was employed to remove the whitewash by a process of his own, by which any fresco painting that might exist beneath it would be protected from injury. He set to work patiently and cautiously. In a short time he met with evidence of the existence of the fresco. From under the coat of whitewash the head of an angel gradually made its appearance, and was pronounced to be by the pencil of Giotto.

The enterprise was now prosecuted with increased ardor. Several months were expended on the task, and three sides of the chapel wall were uncovered; they were all painted in fresco by Giotto with the history of the Magdalene, exhibiting her conversion, her penance, and her beatification. ¹ The figures, however, were all those of saints and angels: no historical portraits had yet been discovered, and doubts began to be entertained whether there were any. Still the recovery of an indisputable work of Giotto's was considered an ample reward for any toil; and the Ministers of the Grand Duke, acting under his directions, assumed on his behalf the past charges and future management of the enterprise.

¹ Only a portion of the fresco is devoted to this theme; that in which Dante's portrait occurs is a Gloria and is usually spoken of as the "Paradiso." There has been much discussion as to what part Giotto had in its painting.

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At length, on the uncovering of the fourth wall, the undertaking was crowned with complete success. A number of historical figures were brought to light, and among them the undoubted likeness of Dante. . . .

It is not easy to appreciate the delight of Mr. Wilde and his coadjutors at this triumphant result of their researches; nor the sensation produced, not merely in Florence, but throughout Italy by this discovery of a veritable portrait of Dante, in the prime of his days. It was some such sensation as would be produced in England by the sudden discovery of a perfectly wellauthenticated likeness of Shakspeare, with a difference in intensity proportioned to the superior sensitiveness of the Italians.1

It were useless to go all over the ground of the scattered discussion which took place between 1840 and 1850, as to who was the prime mover in the undertaking in question.2 Signor Bezzi and "Baron" Kirkup looked after the details of uncovering the fresco, and later on, Kirkup, in the absence of both Bezzi and Wilde, took to himself the credit for everything. Kirkup unquestionably deserves to be remembered with gratitude for having given us his invaluable water-color sketch of the Dante portrait before it suffered from "restoration," but his attempt to deprive his associates of their just share of the honor attaching to the discovery was most niggardly.8 On some of the

1 "The enthusiasm of the Florentines on the announcement of the discovery resembled that of their ancestors when Borgo Allegri received its name from the rejoicings in sympathy with Cimabue. 'L'abbiamo, il nostra poeta!' was the universal cry, and for days afterwards the Bargello was thronged with a continuous succession of pilgrim visitors."- Lord Lindsay, Christian Art, 2d ed., London, 1886, vol. ii, p. 11.

² The chief documents in the case, so far as I know them, are as follows: Eugenio Latilla's unsigned article in the Athenaum, Dec. 25, 1847, pp. 1328, 1329, and a further note in the issue for May 6, 1848, p. 467, in answer to the statement of Bezzi's case in the issue for Feb. 5, 1848, p. 146; Kirkup's letter in the Spectator, May 11, 1850, vol. xxiii, p. 452, answered by Bezzi in the issue for May 25, 1850, vol. xxiii, pp. 493, 494, reprinted in the International Monthly Magazine (N. Y.), July, 1850, vol. i, pp. 2-4. For Rudolf Lehman's recently asserted and very amusing claim to the discovery, see Leader Scott's letter in the Athenaum, Mar. 30, 1895, pp. 414, 415.

8 An interesting personage in his way, he was for nearly half a century a prominent figure in the English colony at Florence. Miss Wilde writes me that she has often heard "Baron" Kirkup described by her father as "a clever but rather unscrupulous man, artistic and literary, but shallowly so." The Hawthornes

have left accounts of him in their journals for August, 1858.

engravings which he caused to be made of his sketch, he styled himself the first promoter of the discovery, and on others the discoverer of the portrait. In his garbled account, Kirkup spoke of Bezzi's work as "fruitless," though he granted that the latter had undertaken all the labors of the petition. He claimed that it was himself who told Bezzi of the existence of the fresco, and that Bezzi voluntarily united with him for the necessary expenses and steps to recover it. "The day after," says Kirkup, "he came to propose the junction of another person of my acquaintance for this object. This was Mr. Wilde, an American, whom I accepted with pleasure as our associate in the affair." This is the only mention he makes of Wilde. Bezzi tells quite a different story. Witness the following:

It was Mr. Wilde and not Mr. Kirkup who first spoke to me of this buried treasure. Mr. Wilde, an American gentleman respected by all that knew him, was then in Florence, engaged in a work on Dante and his times, which unfortunately he did not live to complete. Among the materials he had collected for this purpose there were some papers of the antiquarian Moreni, which he was examining when I called one day (I had then been three or four months in Florence) to read what he had already written, as I was in the habit of doing from time to time. It was then that a footnote of Moreni's met his eye, in which the writer lamented that he had spent two years of his life in unceasing and unavailing efforts to recover the portrait of Dante, and the other portions of the fresco of Giotto in the Bargello, mentioned by Vasari; that others before him had been equally anxious and equally unsuccessful; and that he hoped that better times would come (verranno tempi migliori), and that the painting, so interesting both in an artistic and historical point of view, would be again sought for, and at last recovered. I did not then understand how the efforts of Moreni and others could have been thus unsuccessful; and I thought that with common energy and diligence they might have ascertained whether the painting, so clearly pointed out by Vasari, was or was not in existence; several months, however, of wearisome labors in the same pursuit taught me to judge more leniently of the failures of my predecessors. Mr. Wilde put Moreni's note before me, and suggested and urged, that being an Italian by birth, though not a Florentine, and having lived many years in England and among the English, I had it in my power to bring two modes of influence to bear upon the research; and that such being the case I ought to undertake it. My thoughts immediately turned to Mr. Kirkup, an artist who had abandoned his art to devote himself

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entirely to antiquarian pursuits, with whom I was well acquainted, and who, having lived many years in Florence (I believe, fifteen), would weigh the value of Moreni's testimony on this matter, and effectually assist me in every way if I took it in hand. So I called upon him, either the same day or the next; and I found that he, like most other people, had read the passage in Vasari's life of Giotto, in which it is explicitly said that the portrait of Dante had been painted with others in the Palazzo del Podestà, and was to be seen at the time the historian was writing; but that he had not read or had not put any confidence in the note of the Florence edition of Vasari published in 1832–38, in which it is stated that the Palazzo del Podestà had now become a prison—the Bargello; that the chapel had been turned into a dispensa (it was more like a coal-hole where the rags and much of the filth of the prison was deposited); that the walls of this dispensa exhibited nothing but a dirty coating, and that Moreni speaks of the painting in some published work.

Mr. Kirkup, however ignorant, or culpably negligent, or a little of both, he might previously have been on the subject, yet when I brought it before him, he at once admitted its importance and made a liberal offer of money, if any should be needed, to carry out the experiment. Thus encouraged by Mr. Wilde and Mr. Kirkup, I sought out and found among English, American, and Italian friends and acquaintances many that were ready to assist the plan. Then it was that I drew up a memorial to the Grand Duke; not because I am an "advocate," as your correspondent [Mr. Kirkup] is pleased to call me, for that is not the case, but simply because, having taken pains to organize the means of working out the common object, the coöperators thought I could best represent what this common object was. . . . The answer was favorable, and I was referred to Marchese Nerli, and to the Director of the Academy to make the necessary arrangements.

If these accounts by Irving and Bezzi do nothing else, they assuredly make invalid the too common statement that the fresco was discovered by Kirkup. Bezzi was given credit for his management of the affair by Mrs. Jameson, by Eastlake in his notes to "Kugler's Handbook of Painting," and by Landor in a letter to the London Examiner, Aug. 16, 1840. Wilde's part in the undertaking has been largely lost sight of. Crowe and Cavalacaselle speak of "the willingness of an intelligent American, Mr. Henry Wild" [sic], to assist in getting the permission of the government authorities; but most writers, including Alessandro D'Ancona, Lord Lindsay, F. G.

Stephens, H. Quilter, and the makers of many of the encyclopædias of art and of biography, in referring to the discovery, make no mention of Wilde, even as a party to the undertaking. Yet, as Bezzi said in a letter printed in the *Athenæum*, Feb. 5, 1848, "it was originally and principally at the suggestion and by the encouragement of Mr. Wilde" that he endeavored to secure permission from the government, and coöperation among interested individuals. Though it seems impossible to-day to determine exactly how much each of the three had to do with the affair in its inception, yet the statements here brought together certainly call for a more equal distribution of the honor attaching to the discovery.

HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW.

Although the early American students of Dante were not without their influence in creating a local and limited interest in their author, yet they left but little lasting incitement to the study of him. They did not succeed in bringing Dante before the American reading public, or in giving him the audience he merited. To Longellow this honor chiefly belongs. No one in America has done so much in the service of this master. The homage paid by the first of our poets to Italy's chiefest singer of rhymes is a significant bond of union.

Longfellow's interest in modern languages and literature began with his student days at Bowdoin College. In one of his letters to his father he speaks of his intention to understand French pretty thoroughly before leaving Bowdoin, and looks forward to spending a year at Harvard in the study of history and polite literature, hoping at the same time to study Italian, without which he felt that he would "be shut out from one of the most beautiful departments of letters." After graduation, instead of going to Cambridge, he went abroad to prepare himself for a professorship in his alma mater. During the period of his foreign study it was the modern languages which absorbed his attention, and his first publications, on entering upon

¹ Longfellow took his first Italian lessons in Paris in 1826 from De' Ferranti, "guitarist to his majesty, the *Roi des Belges.*" (Journal, Oct. 31, 1846.)

his duties at Bowdoin, were connected with his class-room work in French, Spanish, and Italian.

Longfellow early took to the translating as well as the writing of poetry. Diffident at the start as to the publication of verse of his own composing, he felt surer of his work when the expression alone was his and the thought itself belonged to some poet of a foreign tongue. Yet he did not worship his exotic author with such a religious zeal as to attempt to transfer his very word and phrase. He had found where the difficulties of translating lay, and he sought to give the effect of the original by a free handling of his material. In the preface to his translation of the "Coplas" of Don Jorge Manrique. published in 1833, he compared the art of the translator to that of the sculptor, who, unable to represent in the cold marble the living beauty of the human eye, has recourse to such devices as sinking the eye deeper and making the brow above it more prominent than it is in the living model, thus gaining more of the effect of the original than he could have done by an exact copy. So with the translator, said the young Longfellow: "As there are certain beauties of thought and expression in a good original which cannot be represented in the less flexible material of another language, he, too, at times may be permitted to transgress the rigid truth of language, and remedy the defect, as far as such defect can be remedied, by slight and judicious embellishments." Therefore he felt justified in occasionally making use of "an additional epithet or a more forcible turn of expression." This was where the young translator erred. His verse was graceful, his rhythm true, but he often fell short of the simplicity of his original through the liberties he allowed himself. Such a straightforward and unaffected epitome of life as

> Partimos quando nascemos, Andamos mientras vivimos, Y allegamos Al tiempo, que fenescemos; Asi que quando morimos, Descansamos.

becomes modernized by him into the pretty but sentimental lines:

Our cradle is the starting-place. In life we run the onward race, And reach the goal,
When in the mansions of the blest
Death leaves to its eternal rest
The weary soul.

Fortunately he did not long indulge himself in this license. We shall see how, later in life, his views concerning the ethics of the translator's art were radically changed. His "Voices of the Night," published but six years after the above, contain three fragments from the *Purgatorio*, which evince more than the beginning of the change. With a certain justice he always allowed himself greater freedom in translating from the lyric poets than from Dante, but the excuse for this is apparent.

As the successor of Professor Ticknor at Harvard College, it fell to Longfellow's lot to lecture on Dante, among other topics. Longfellow made Dante far more of a literary study for the pupils than his predecessor had done. He left the linguistic work to the competent instructor Bachi, who drilled the young men in the rudiments of Italian and read with them many of the best writers. "Before the college course was over," says the Rev. Edward Everett Hale, one of his students, "Longfellow read, nominally as lectures, the whole of Dante with us, and we were well prepared for this by what we had read with Bachi." 1

"I was so fortunate," wrote Mr. Hale to the editor of the *Christian Union* in 1881, "as to be in the first section which Mr. Longfellow

¹ In a letter of recent date, Mr. Hale writes me as follows: "Do not let your notice of Dante in Cambridge pass without fitting reference to Pietro Bachi, who was the Italian teacher from 1826 to 1846. Bachi was a well-educated Italian gentleman, who came over here, — I know not why, for I always thought he must have been wretched here. But everybody liked him, not to say loved him. It was understood amongst us youngsters that he had married a wife who was in some sort inferior to him in social position. I do not know how this was, but I do know that he never seemed to visit freely in general society, as, for instance, Bokum did, who was the German teacher. What I do know is that we all had a great regard for him, and that his work in the Italian department was excellent. As a critic of Dante, he had exactly the gift which a good teacher ought to have in interesting wide-awake young men in this study. And I can say to you that when we came to hear Longfellow lecture, we were more than prepared for his lectures by the very thorough work which Bachi had done in this same subject with us."

instructed personally when he came to Cambridge in 1836. Perhaps I best illustrate the method of his instruction when I say that I think every man in that section would now say that he was on intimate terms with Mr. Longfellow. From the first he chose to take with us the relation of a personal friend a few years older than we were. . . . Besides [directing the department of modern languages] he lectured on authors or more general subjects. I think attendance was voluntary, but I know we never missed a lecture. I have full notes of his lectures on Dante's Divina Commedia, which confirm my recollections, namely, that he read the whole to us in English and explained whatever he thought needed comment. I have often referred to these notes since, and though I suppose that he included all that he thought worth while in his notes to his translation of Dante. I know that until that was published I could find no such reservoir of comment on the poem." For nearly twenty years Longfellow continued this classroom work, and the suggestion of translating the whole of the Divina Commedia probably came to him while thus explaining the poem to beginners in Italian literature. Certain it is that the fragmentary translations, to which we have referred, were written, with others of favorite passages, in an interleaved copy of the poem, used as a note-book for his lectures and class-room readings from Dante. Longfellow's journal during this time contains many scattered references to his growing interest in Dante. With increasing years and ripening appreciation, the full significance of the life and work of the great Florentine grew upon him. From the position of a much esteemed author, Dante came to be an important factor in Longfellow's inmost life. Early in the forties he began, with the Purgatorio, the systematic translating of the Commedia, and though he was to lay it aside for many years before he resumed the task and carried it to completion, the spirit of his work was always the same. In a letter of 1843 he speaks of "the divine Dante" with whom he was accustomed to begin the morning.

His next ten years were years of fruitful activity in original work. The translating from the *Purgatorio* was suspended for the time being, yet Dante was never far from his thoughts, as his sonnet of 1848, his translation of Schelling's essay on the *Divina Commedia*, and the continued notes in his journal go to show. In the latter part of 1852 there

came over Longfellow a sense of intellectual exhaustion, and he felt that he might as well put his lyre aside. "It seems to me that I shall never write anything more," said he. In 1853 he wrote but one poem. On the first day of February of that year he has this to record: "In weariness of spirit and despair of writing anything original, I turned again to-day to dear old Dante, and resumed my translation of the *Purgatorio* where I had left it in 1843. I find great delight in the work. It diffused its benediction through the day." For a week or two a canto was translated almost daily, thus finishing the *Purgatorio*,—the only literary event in this year of his life. But a period of active original production speedily followed, and the translation of the *Divina Commedia* was suspended for another space of almost ten years. It is to be noted that as when in the creative mood Longfellow translated but little or nothing, so when devoting himself to Dante he held his powers of original composition in abeyance.

The tragic death of Longfellow's wife in 1861 meant for him a break not only in his work but in his very life. The deep undercurrent of the man's nature showed itself to but few; he was "to the eyes of others, outwardly, calm; but inwardly bleeding to death." We could ask for no more convincing proof of what Dante meant to Longfellow than that in this time of need he resumed his work upon the translation. We have no words of his own telling of the consolation he found there; the subject was too sacred for him to write of even in his journal. There is an indirect reference to it in the first of the sonnets prefaced to his translation. He compares the Divina Commedia to a vast cathedral and says:

I enter here from day to day, And leave my burden at this minster gate.

He soon became absorbed in his Dante and received new courage from communing with him. Whole fortnights were given up to nothing but the translation, and within a few months after the work was fully under way, he was able to record its completion in the rough. Then came the labor of polishing and revising, with which he was to be occupied for several years. This portion of his task became irksome to him; he says that he sometimes felt tempted to

inscribe upon his work the line found upon an oar cast on the coast of Iceland, —

Oft war ek dasa dur ek dro thick.
Oft was I weary when I tugged at thee.

And then again he writes: "How I am weary of correcting and weighing and criticising my translation! It takes more time than it did to make it." He had gone over his translation very carefully so as to have it "all of one piece," and after he received the proof from the printer he went over it again to note possible lapses from the literal sense of Dante's words. In the latter revision he enjoyed the helpful cooperation of his friends, Mr. Lowell and Mr. Norton, with the occasional counsel of George W. Greene, James T. Fields, William Dean Howells, and others. From September, 1865, to May, 1867, Longfellow devoted his Wednesday evenings to the giving of final touches, and he was at home to all who cared to hear him read a canto from his proof sheets and to take part in the general criticism of his work. There is no question as to the benefit which Longfellow derived from the meetings of this "Dante Club," as they called the informal gatherings. Not only were changes made in the translation on the basis of suggestions offered, but the friendly interest shown in the undertaking also lessened the tedium of revision; an air of charming conviviality was cast about these meetings, and Longfellow took heart and soon could speak of the Dante Club as going "singing on its way."

In 1865 the six hundredth anniversary of Dante's birth was celebrated in Florence, and attracted wide attention wherever the poet's works were esteemed. Of the many publications issued in honor of the event, four were sent out from America, — Professor Norton's essay "On the Original Portraits of Dante," Professor Botta's "Dante as Philosopher, Patriot, and Poet," Dr. Parsons' "Seventeen Cantos of the *Inferno*," and the privately printed text of Longfellow's translation of the *Inferno*. The books were sent to George P. Marsh, the well-known scholar, who was at that time the American Minister to Italy. In forwarding Longfellow's volume to the Italian committee in charge of the centenary, Mr. Marsh wrote: "I am persuaded that the committee will receive this first American reproduction of the great poem — a translation most valuable as well for

its felicity of expression as for the exactness with which my distinguished compatriot has had the ability to render, in a language so foreign to that of the original, the thought of Dante's sovereign genius—as a contribution most fitting the solemnity of the centenary, and at the same time as a worthy homage from the New World to one of the chief glories of the country of its discoverer."

The next year, 1866, saw the private issuing of the translation of the Purgatorio, and the following year that of the Paradiso. During the early part of 1867 the three volumes were published, with the addition of notes and illustrative material. They were awaited with interest by all who knew of their preparation. Shortly before their appearance, the historian Milman wrote: "We may expect great things from one who has added so much to our English poetry, and has such varied command of our language." When the volumes were finally launched, they attracted immediate and widespread attention. To one friend Longfellow writes: "The only merit my book has is that it is exactly what Dante says, and not what the translator imagines he might have said if he had been an Englishman. In other words, while making it rhythmic, I have endeavored to make it also as literal as a prose translation." He sends the books to his old friend Ferdinand Freiligrath, and in a note says: "Of what I have been through during the last six years, I dare not venture to write even to you; it is almost too much for any man to bear and live. I have taken refuge in this translation of the Divine Comedy."

With the exception of the sonnets prefacing each canticle, there is in the entire work no word of introduction or explanation, nothing to tell of the translator's aim or motive. Longfellow at first thought of three poems of homage as fly-leaf mottoes for the three parts of the Commedia,—translations of single sonnets by Boccaccio and Michael Angelo, and a new sonnet of his own composing. Later on he changed his plan and wrote for us the six superb sonnets which express so nobly his feelings towards Dante. These sonnets are masterpieces of construction built on the Italian rhyme scheme; four of them are fashioned after the strictest type. One must search long to find their equal for technique, thought, and imagery. They are the only personal notes in the three copious volumes, and must

serve as preface and apology. Though we should have been only too glad to have had from the poet's pen a connected account of his study of Dante, we have been able to draw from his scattered references to the subject all that we need know, and we can count ourselves more than repaid by having these poems in little which speak so much.

Longfellow had no ambition to shine as a commentator on Dante; he was concerned only with the translation of the poet, and the notes he made for his work were almost entirely for purposes of illustration. He drew a very sharp line between translation and comment. In his "Table-Talk" he gives it as his opinion that "the business of a translator is to report what his author says, not to explain what he means: that is the work of the commentator. What an author says and how he says it — that is the problem of the translator." Passages permitting of two interpretations in the original retain their double significance in Longfellow's rendition. The ambiguous saying of Francesca—

Ma solo un punto fu quel che ci vinse-

is allowed to remain equally ambiguous:

But one point only was it that o'ercame us.

The translator does not consider it his office to say whether *punto* means a point in time or a point in Lanciotto's tale; he leaves the decision to the commentator and the reader. Wherever possible Longfellow adopts a locution with as manifold a significance as Dante's own words, and thus gives us the privilege of interpreting for ourselves.²

¹ Life, 1891, vol. iii, p. 411.

² This some would claim as a fault, arguing that ambiguity is a defect in composition which the translator should avoid reproducing by the exercise of his judgment in the selection of an expression giving the most probable meaning of his author. An early exponent of the school of literalists was M. Huet, Bishop of Avranches, who, in his "De optimo genere interpretandi" [London, 1684, p. 27], gives a rule supporting the custom which Longfellow follows: Verbum ambigue dictum est, et duplicem admittit explicationem. Certe res in medio posita ut erat, ita debuit consistere, et verbum anceps ancipiti verbo reddi, ipsaque sententiæ ambiguitas repræsentari.

On the appearance of the completed work, George Ticknor wrote a letter of appreciation, in which he touched on a point of great moment in treating of the merits of any translation. you have not encumbered yourself," said he, "with heavier and more embarrassing conditions than permit the free poetical movement which an absolutely English reader covets, is a question which must be settled by the popular voice as separate from that of scholastic lovers of Dante. On that bench of judges I can never be competent to sit; I shall always read your translation with the original ringing in my ears." The question arises, was Ticknor right in thinking that his intimate acquaintance with the text of Dante disqualified him as a critic of Longfellow's work? Who are to decide whether the translator has done his work faithfully and well? Is a translation to stand only upon so much of its merit as can be seen by the reader who knows not the original? I take it that qualifications of as varied a nature are needed for the passing of a safe judgment upon a rendering of Dante as those Matthew Arnold asked of the tribunal to which he would bring a verse translation of Homer. That ringing of the original in his ears, which Ticknor thought incapacitated him, would in my opinion be the first essential of a competent judge; but with this scholarly attainment there must go critical acumen and poetical feeling. Lowell, in whom these requisites were combined in a marked degree, but who had no great fondness for foreign works done into English, regarded Longfellow's translation "not as the best possible, by any means, but as the best probable." "Nobody who is intimate with the original," says he in one of his letters, "will find any translation of the Divine Comedy more refreshing than cobs. Has not Dante himself told us that no poetry can be translated? But after all is said, I think Mr. Longfellow's the best thus far, as being the most accurate. It is to be looked on, I think, as measured prose - like our version of Job, for example, though without the mastery of measure in which our Bible translators are unmatched except by Milton; I mean where they are at their best, as in Job, the songs of Deborah and Barak, the death of Sisera, and some parts of the Psalms. Mr. Longfellow is not a scholar in the German sense of the word, — that is to say, he is no pedant; but he certainly is a scholar in another and perhaps

a higher sense; I mean in range of acquirement and the flavor that comes of it."

It is hardly possible to speak of Longfellow's translation without bringing up the vexed question as to what is the most adequate method of translating poetry, whether it is best to aim at literalness within the limits prescribed by verse, or to regard free poetical movement as of paramount importance, valuing the spirit above the letter, or yet, in despair of reproducing anything like the rhythmical effect of the original, to take refuge in a carefully executed prose translation. As it so happens that we find each of the three methods represented in the work done by our American translators of Dante, we shall briefly review here, and under what we have to say of Dr. Parsons and Professor Norton, the arguments which these several translators have made, or hinted at, in support of their respective theories.

No one recognized more fully than Longfellow the arduousness of the task to which he had set himself. He quotes approvingly the sayings of both Dante and Cervantes about the linguistic impossibility of transferring the melody of verse from one language to another. "The difficulty," said Longfellow, "lies chiefly in the color of words. Is the Italian 'ruscelletto gorgolioso' fully rendered by 'gurgling brooklet'? Or the Spanish 'pajaros vocingleros' by 'garrulous birds'? Something is wanting." Yet after his apprentice days he never tried to supply that "something" by resorting to a new word or using a different expression from that of his author. Faithfulness to his original is the fundamental principle of all his mature work. "A great many people think," says he in one of his letters, "that a translation ought not to be too faithful; that the writer should put himself into it as well as his original; that it should be Homer & Co., or Dante & Co.; and that what the foreign author really says should be falsified or modified if thereby the smoothness of the verse can be improved. On the contrary, I maintain that a translator, like the witness on the stand, should hold up his right hand and swear to 'tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth." Longfellow accepted as a foregone conclusion that such strict fidelity to the text before him would rob his verse of much fluidity, ease, and grace of construction; but this is the price

which the man of one language must pay for the privilege of reading the exact matter of Dante in English verse.

Then, too, Longfellow was fully acquainted with the rhythmic difference between the two languages. He knew that even though he preserved the metrical scheme of the terza rima, the rhythm of his lines would vary from that of the Italian, owing to the different time-values of the syllables that make up the corresponding English and Italian words. He therefore not only gave up terza rima, but he discarded rhyme altogether. "In translating Dante," said he, "something must be relinquished. Shall it be the beautiful rhyme that blossoms all along the line like a honeysuckle on the hedge? It must be, in order to retain something more precious than rhyme. namely, fidelity, truth, - the life of the hedge itself." The freedom and independence gained by choosing blank verse gave Longfellow a wide latitude in which to seek for the best words to reproduce the Italian passage before him. Though English, through its poverty in rhyme-words, is ill fitted for compositions with the triple rhyme, yet by virtue of its pliability, it is admirably suited to the needs of epic and narrative poetry in blank verse. But as blank verse is one of the grandest of English meters, so also is it one of the most difficult in which to obtain marked success; and we cannot look for the same excellence in its lines when the English poet is bound to the exact matter of another's speech as when he is free to range over the wide fields of thought and expression. Naturally, a literal translation in blank verse will not have all the ease of original composition; and in this Longfellow's Dante is no exception.

Beginners in the study of *Divina Commedia* in English often attribute to a translation many of the difficulties with which they meet in the first reading. They have yet to learn that the obscurities are shared by the Italian original. The poem is not easy reading for even the native of Tuscany. To the objections sometimes urged against Longfellow's rendering on the ground that it is hard to follow, we would give answer that Longfellow did not aim at making a handbook for the study of Dante. He strove merely for a reproduction in English blank verse of what Dante had said in most mellifluous Italian terza rima. There his task ended, and what is thought of his accomplishment can be gathered from the words of some representative critics.

Lowell's opinion we have already had. Professor Norton, who according to his own statement was not disposed to "substitute commendation for criticism," expressed himself of the opinion that Longfellow's was the best existing translation of Dante. In speaking of the work, shortly after its appearance, he said: "No one acquainted with the extraordinary felicity of Mr. Longfellow's versions of the poetry of other languages - a felicity which was one of the proofs of his original genius - can have doubted that his success would be great in any task to which he might set himself. But the measure of success he has attained can hardly fail to surprise even those who have the highest confidence in his achievements." No less emphatic were the words of William Dean Howells. "Opening the book," said he, "we stand face to face with the poet, and when his voice ceases we may well marvel if he has not sung to us in his own Tuscan." And John Fiske, after quoting Sainte-Beuve's epigram, "La belle destinée de ne pouvoir plus mourir, sinon avec un immortel!" says: "Apart from Mr. Longfellow's other titles to undying fame, such a destiny is surely marked out for him, and throughout the English portions of the world, his name will always be associated with that of the great Florentine."

THOMAS WILLIAM PARSONS.

America had in Parsons a poet of very high order, whose free fancy and exquisite workmanship have not won for him the wide popularity which his contributions to our literature merit. True, he neither sought nor cared for renown; it was only at the solicitation of friends that he was induced to make several partial collections of his poems, and these were for the most part privately printed. Dr. Holmes, in answer to a letter asking whether he could explain why so true a poet as Parsons had not fame commensurate with his genius, wrote: "Parsons is appreciated by scholars; his genius is recognized widely in Europe, and his poems are greatly admired there. A great part of his literary work is in translations, and this, while perhaps it should, does not always gain for the writer the fame corresponding to the value of the work. In his lifelong devotion

to Dante, by the absorbing study he has given him, I attribute his felicity of style, the exquisite literary art that characterizes his work. He does not, with his fine poetical genius, give us poems often enough. Some of his poems have the most pathetic tenderness, grace, music, and finished art, and they rank with the best of our or any other period. His translation of Dante will carry his name to posterity as a noble and monumental achievement."

He was a sensitive and impressionable youth, and a journey to Italy at the age of seventeen had much to do with the moulding of his likes and studies in after life. This first visit to Florence and his early introduction to Dante are recalled in the opening lines of his poem, "La Pineta Distrutta."

Farewell, Ravenna's forest! and farewell
For aye through coming centuries to the sound,
Over blue Adria, of the lyric pines,
And Chiassi's bird-song keeping burden sweet
To their low moan as once to Dante's lines,
Which, when my step first felt Italian ground,
I strove to follow, carried by the spell
Of that sad Florentine whose native street
(At morn and midnight) where he used to dwell,
My father bade me pace with reverent feet.²

In another place, speaking of this same visit to Florence, he tells us that it was "there, in the venerable Borgo Sant' Apostolo, consecrated, in my imagination, by a verse of Dante's, in the ancient House of the Acciaiuoli, and in the home of a learned lady who bore the name of the poet, I became enamoured of the Divina Commedia." A few years later the young enthusiast essayed a literal line-for-line version of his newly found treasure. With the hopefulness of youth he aspired even to the triple rhyme, but he soon discovered that he had aimed too high, and must content himself with some measure less exacting and more in accord with the

¹ The Bostonian, June, 1895.

^{2&}quot;The delicate involution or inversion of these lines," writes Miss Guiney, "is a good instance of a marked literary peculiarity of Dr. Parsons, which none of our poets shared with him. I have no doubt he got this graceful Latinism directly from Dante, as he had it from Virgil."

restrictions imposed upon him by his task. He therefore espoused the quatrain, used with such good effect by Dryden and Gray, which he felt to be the nearest approach to the "lengthened harmony" of the terza rima recognizable by English ears.

Parsons was twenty-four years of age when, in 1843, he issued his translation of the first ten cantos of the *Inferno*, a modest little volume in brown boards. The translation was prefaced by the "Lines on a Bust of Dante," which have since become famous, and have been gathered into the anthologies. In reviews of the book, this poem was singled out for special mention. Longfellow showed his appreciation by including it in "The Estray," a collection of poems edited by him and published in 1847. The translation itself was received with some qualifications of approval; its grace and finish were quite generally admired, but exception was taken to the frequent divergence from Dante's word and manner. The translator was advised by more than one well-meaning reviewer to study Dante more closely. Among the last words written by the then very aged Cary are those of a letter to the young American poet:

Sir, — February 26, 1844.

Many thanks from an old brother translator for your kind consideration in sending him your version of the first ten cantos of the *Inferno*. I received it only a day or two since and have read it twice with much pleasure. It appears to me to possess in a remarkable degree the fluency, vivacity, and harmony of original composition. This unavoidably is effected at the expense of some departure from Dante's grave and sedate character, though his general meaning is faithfully given. The form of rhymes you have adopted is probably the best our language can afford for the purpose: the *terza rima* would often be found totally unmanageable.

If you persevere in your intention of going on with the remainder of the *Divina Commedia*, there is great hope of your producing a work that will please a numerous class of readers; and you will render a good service to the cause of our common literature. I remain, sir,

Your very faithful humble servant,

H. F. CARY.

Although Dr. Parsons kept the work constantly in mind, and was urged by his friends to continue his translation, he did not live (though he lived long enough!) to complete the *Purgatorio*, and the *Paradiso* is

represented but by a few fragments.¹ His was not the nature to be tied down to such a service, unless the inspiration of the moment impelled him to it. His own Muse was constantly claiming his thought and leading him afield. He excused himself for entertaining his own fancies in the lines—

Friends must be patient when I do these things, Wasting an hour that might be better given To work — in following Dante far as heaven. For when unbid the spirit inly sings, And will not be controlled by other's mood, That hour is oft the harvest time that brings The best thought uppermost: if then subdued To serve a master, my own goddess flies, And inspiration cometh not if sought, And second best is only half way good.

Longfellow's description of Dr. Parsons as the "Poet" of the "Wayside Inn" is a happy analysis of the man's make-up:

A poet, too, was there, whose verse Was tender, musical, and terse: The inspiration, the delight, The gleam, the glory, the swift flight Of thoughts so sudden that they seem The revelations of a dream. All these were his: but with them came No envy of another's fame: He did not find his sleep less sweet For music in some neighboring street, Nor rustling hear in every breeze The laurels of Miltiades. Honor and blessings on his head While living, good report when dead, Who, not too eager for renown, Accepts, but does not clutch, the crown!

1 "Though Dr. Parsons was a ripe scholar," said one who knew him well, "familiar with all classic literature, and had no life, as it were, outside these patrician friendships, — yet Dante was truly the Only One to him. Longfellow, and even our dear Lowell, had, after all, other heroes. I think Parsons' mind was more dominated by Dante, and infused with his thought, than theirs."

Under date of June 2, 1867, Longfellow makes mention in his journal of a call from Parsons, and a talk they had about theories of translation. What a pity to have no record of that conversation! The third and last volume of Longfellow's Dante was to appear that month, and Dr. Parsons had just completed his translation of the Inferno. The whole subject of the translating of poetry must have been very fresh in the minds of both, and it would be instructive to know what each had to say in favor of his theory, after he had given it so thorough a trial. Both had changed somewhat in their opinions regarding the translator's art, since their first attempts at it many years before. The more famous poet had become stricter in his tenets concerning literalness; while the other, after an early endeavor at an exact verbal rendering in terza rima, had soon abandoned this foreign metrical form as unsuited to the genius of our language, and had taken to the freer rendering and more fluent lines of the version he has left us. Longfellow, in a series of disconnected remarks scattered throughout his journal and letters, has given us his reasons for the views he held on the art of translating, but Dr. Parsons has told us nothing.

Though Parsons never gave us his theories, his practices proclaimed his principles. It is of the nature of poetry that the idea shall be en rapport with the form into which it is cast, and the truer the poetry, the closer the bond. The whole problem of translating verse into verse turns upon the question of transferring this harmony between thought and form, of reproducing, as near as the changed conditions will allow, the same relation between the verse and its content as existed in the original. Now, Dante's style, which Lowell speaks of as being "parsimonious in the number of its words, goldenly sufficient in the value of them," renders him a superlatively difficult author to translate literally into easy-flowing English verse. With the choice of his meter was determined in large part the nature of Parsons' version. Even though he strove to follow Dante closely, he must constantly be called upon to compress three of his author's lines into two of his own, or amplify the same into an entire quatrain. But interpolation falsifies the original, dilation weakens the sense, and with Dante abridgment is not to be thought of. However, in weighing the demands of fidelity to the text against the claims of

rhythm and idiomatic English, Parsons is sure to think most of the construction of his lines. Careful finish is characteristic of his verse, and even in translation he cannot forego his delight in this, though it be at the expense of his author's exact words. Yet Dante's every thought is precious to Parsons, and he is not one of those translators who hope to improve upon their original. Taken largely, there is, in his version, no wide departure from the sense and purport of the original; but Dante's distinctive style is wanting, and a new foreign spirit is infused into the *rifacimento*. It is as if Parsons had heeded the counsel of Sir John Denham, who says of the translator, "it is not his business alone to translate language into language, but poesie into poesie; and poesie is of so subtle a spirit, that in pouring out of one language into another it will all evaporate; and if a new spirit is not added in the transfusion, there will remain nothing but a *caput mortuum*."

Parsons is one of that long line of English translators, headed by King Alfred, who strove to follow Boëthius, "now word for word, now spirit for spirit." To this company belonged Pope, who held that "the fire of a poem is what a translator should principally regard," and Dryden, with his belief that "it would be unreasonable to limit a translator to the narrow compass of his author's words." The class has had many apologists, in many tongues. An ardent advocate of their principles is Schlegel, the German translator of Shakespeare, who strove to "follow, step by step, the letter of the sense, and yet catch part of the innumerable, indescribable beauties which do not lie in the letter, but hover about it like an intellectual spirit." A worthy object, it may be; but just how is the translator to catch the particular charm of his foreign poet? The spirit of poetry is of an evanescent nature, and eludes the pursuer like a will-o'-the-wisp. There is the ever-present danger of the translator's being wrong in his personal estimate of what constitutes the spirit of his author, and, even if he judged aright, would he be able to reproduce the characteristic tone by this method of sketching in of added color? The tendency towards realism, which is seen so widely in the literature of to-day, is averse to this method of portrayal, and prefers the more faithful and impersonal work of the metaphrast, hoping that some suggestion of the spirit may accompany the translated words. And with the great poets the precise word is often a matter of much moment. The minor and the lyric poets will admit of freer handling. In the *Divina Commedia* particularly does every word carry with it its own peculiar significance.

Parsons, it is granted, has a much higher ideal of the office of the translator than had the early English representatives of his school whom we have quoted, and he is too much of a modern to disregard so unconcernedly the text before him. He has many happy renderings of the sense of his author, and his English is of so rare a type that it cannot but please; and because of its merits as an English poem, his translation will never want for admirers. By virtue of its melody, it charms the reader and holds his attention. Years ago Professor Norton spoke of it as a work which of its kind "can hardly be too warmly praised; nor is it to detract from its praise to say that though free, it is not more poetic than the literal version of its author's brother-poet [Longfellow]." Beyond this oppositeness in the methods pursued by the two translators is the added difference of their diction, — a natural consequence of their different positions. While Longfellow seeks for words of Romance origin, Parsons delights in plain Saxon phrases. The Italian constantly shines through Longfellow's rendering; but Parsons' lines are read with but little suggestion of their being from a foreign original. As a memorial to Dante, and especially as a contribution to American literature, the work of Dr. Parsons will always be cherished. He has been granted the prayer with which he closed the completed first canticle, "Tantus labor non sit cassus," and he himself received into the circle of those who do honor to the divine poet.

JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL.

It is no exaggeration to say that, in the understanding of Dante, few of any time or country have surpassed our own genuinely American Lowell. His appreciation was of the keenest, and his ability, as a critic, of the highest order. Poet and scholar, he combined happily the insight of the one with the trained judgment of the other. As

the fruit of a long study of Dante, he has left us an essay which, as Mr. Norton says, "makes other writing about the poet and the poem seem ineffectual and superfluous." This essay, as printed in his collected works, is made up of a biographical sketch published in the "New American Encyclopædia" (1859), and of a magazine article written in 1872, in the heat of summer and all the bustle preceding a departure for Europe. The two articles were afterwards skilfully blended, and though the resulting essay lacks of necessity some of the unity of form which we expect from such a writer as Lowell, it has what is wanting to so many essays on the same theme, — a distinct picture of who Dante was, a clear and concise estimate of what he believed, and an admirable account of the life he lived and the books he wrote.

Lowell was a most assiduous reader. He not only read widely, but his favorite books he read and re-read. He always went to the original sources, and had little use for diluted information. He found translations disenchanting, and thought them at best "but an imitation of natural flowers in cambric or wax." "It is precisely those works," he remarked in a college lecture, "which are most characteristic, which most deepen and widen the mind, which quicken the sense of beauty, which beckon the imagination—it is precisely those which are untranslatable, nay, which are so in exact proportion as they are masterly. This is especially true of the great poets, the glow of whose genius fuses the word and the idea into a rich Corinthian metal which no imitation can replace." For commentators of the usual run Lowell had nothing but maledictions. He sees the Italians forever twitching at Dante's sleeve and "trying to make him

^{1&}quot; One need not be a Dantean scholar to comprehend the scope and strength of this prolonged, cumulative, coherent analysis of the Florentine's career, fortified by citations, and enriched with knowledge of Italian history, literature, atmosphere, at the close of the thirteenth century, such as few living men possess."—
E. C. Stedman, *Poets of America*.

Of this essay Dr. Holmes said in a letter to Lowell, "It serves a great purpose, quite independently of its value with reference to Dante and his readers; it shows our young American scholars that they need not be provincial in their way of thought or their scholarship because they happen to be born or bred in an outlying district of the great world of letters." — J. S. Morse, Jr., Life and Letters of O. W. Holmes, ii, p. 116.

say he is of their way of thinking. Of their way indeed! One would think he might be free of them, at least, in Paradise." It was to the author's own words that Lowell continually went and would have others go. He believed that one might get a thoroughly good education out of a work like Dante's, if read in the right way, inquiringly, and with constant self-interrogation. It was in this manner that he himself became so intimately acquainted with the Divina Commedia. In one of his college lectures he has given an outline of the spread of his interest when once it had been awakened:

One is sometimes asked by young men to recommend to them a course of reading. My advice would always be to confine yourself to the supreme books in whatever literature; still better to choose some one great author and grow thoroughly familiar with him. For as all roads lead to Rome, so they all likewise lead thence; and you will find that in order to understand perfectly and weigh exactly any really vital piece of literature, you will be gradually and pleasantly persuaded to studies and explorations of which you little dreamed when you began, and will find yourselves scholars before you are aware of it. If I may be allowed a personal explanation, it was my own profound admiration for the Divina Commedia of Dante that lured me into what little learning I possess. For remember there is nothing less fruitful than scholarship for the sake of mere scholarship, nor anything more wearisome in the attainment. But the moment you have an object and a center, attention is quickened — the mother of memory; and whatever you acquire groups and arranges itself in an order which is lucid because it is everywhere in an intelligent relation to an object of constant and growing interest. Thus, as respects Dante, I asked myself, What are his points of likeness or unlikeness with the authors of classical antiquity? In how far is either of these an advantage or defect? What and how much modern literature had preceded him? How much was he indebted to it? How far had the Italian language been subdued and suppled to the uses of poetry or prose before his time? How much did he color the style or thought of the authors who followed him? Is it a fault or a merit that he is so thoroughly impregnated with the opinions, passions, and even prejudices, not only of his own age, but his country? To what extent is a certain freedom of opinion, which he shows sometimes on points of religious doctrine, to be attributed to the humanizing influences of the Crusades in enlarging the horizon of the Western mind by bringing it in contact with other races, religions, and social arrangements? These and a hundred other questions were constant stimulants to thought and inquiry, stimulants such as no merely objectless and, so to speak, impersonal study could have supplied.

It was a somewhat similar course which Lowell followed in his class-room instruction at Harvard. Some of those who read the modern authors under him remember with pleasure the originality of his method of imparting information, the sprightliness of his digressive talks, and the exceeding profit with which they pursued their work under his inspiring guidance. He was more of a poet than an accepted professor of the modern languages, and he spoke to his pupils of the great poets as poets, and not as fruitful ground for the study of philology.1 His delightful rambles into the provinces of the man of letters and the moral philosopher, his talks on style and the problems of all times, constituted a vital charm in the minds of the students who each year chose to study under him. This exceptional, unacademic mode of procedure was very effective under his handling. "It made a romance of the hour," says Henry James. made even a picture of the scene; it was an unforgettable initiation. . . . He was so steeped in history and literature that to some yearning young persons he made the taste of knowledge sweeter, almost, than it was ever to be again. He was redolent, intellectually speaking, of Italy and Spain; he had lived in long intimacy with Dante and Calderon; he embodied, to envious aspirants, the happy intellectual fortune: independent years in a full library, years of acquisition, without haste and without rest, a robust love of study, which went socially arm in arm with a robust love of life. This love of life was so strong in him that he could lose himself in little diversions, as well as in big books."

Of the reminiscences of Lowell as a teacher, given by his students, none touch so closely on the subject in hand as the sketch written by Professor Barrett Wendell, and we therefore press into service the latter's excellent account of Lowell's method of conducting the study of Dante:

^{1&}quot; He had the good fortune to be born before the linguistic age, and the good taste to have been an early representative of the literary study which disregards specialism and ranges free over the goodly pastures of literature."— Saturday Review, Feb. 27, 1892.

In my Junior year, a lecture of Professor Norton's excited in me a wish to read Dante under Mr. Lowell. I did not know a word of Italian, though; and I was firmly resolved to waste no more time on elementary grammar. Without much hope of a favorable reception, then, I applied for admission to the course. Mr. Lowell received me in one of the small recitation-rooms in the upper story of University Hall. . . . He listened to my application kindly, . . and . . . told me to come in to the course and see what I could do with Dante.

To that time my experience of academic teaching had led me to the belief that the only way to study a classic text in any language was to scrutinize every syllable with a care undisturbed by consideration of any more of the context than was grammatically related to it. Any real reading I had done, I had had to do without a teacher. Mr. Lowell never gave us less than a canto to read; and often gave us two or three. He never, from the beginning, bothered us with a particle of linguistic irrelevance. Here before us was a great poem — a lasting expression of what human life had meant to a human being, dead and gone these five centuries. Let us try, as best we might, to see what life had meant to this man; let us see what relation his experience, great and small, bore to ours; and, now and then, let us pause for a moment to notice how wonderfully beautiful his expression of this experience was. Let us read, as sympathetically as we could make ourselves read, the words of one who was as much a man as we, only vastly greater in his knowledge of wisdom and of beauty. That was the spirit of Mr. Lowell's teaching. It opened to some of us a new world. In a month I could read Dante better than I ever learned to read Greek, or Latin, or German.

His method of teaching was all his own. The class was small — not above ten or a dozen; and he generally began by making each student translate a few lines, interrupting now and then with suggestions of the poetic value of passages which were being rendered in a style too exasperatingly prosaic. Now and again, some word or some passage would suggest to him a line of thought—sometimes very earnest, sometimes paradoxically comical—that it would never have suggested to any one else. And he would lean back in his chair, and talk away across country till he felt like stopping; or he would thrust his hands into the pockets of his rather shabby sack-coat, and pace the end of the room with his heavy laced boots, and look at nothing in particular, and discourse of things in general. We gave up note-books in a week. Our business was not to cram lifeless detail, but to absorb as much as we might of the spirit of his exuberant literary vitality. And through it all he was always a quiz; you never knew

what he was going to do or to say next. One whimsical digression I have always remembered, chiefly for the amiable atrocity of the pun. Some mention of wings had been made in the text, whereupon Mr. Lowell observed that he had always had a liking for wings: he had lately observed that some were being added to the ugliest house in Cambridge, and he cherished hopes that they might fly away with it. I remember, too, how one tremendous passage in the *Inferno* started him off in a disquisition concerning canker-worms, and other less mentionable—if more diverting—vermin. And then, all of a sudden, he soared up into the clouds, and pounced down on the text again, and asked the next man to translate. You could not always be sure when he was in earnest; but there was never a moment when he let you forget that you were a human being in a human world, and that Dante had been one, too. One or two of us, among ourselves, nicknamed him "sweet wag"; I like the name still.

After a month or two, he found that we were not advancing fast enough. So he fell into a way of making us read one canto to him, and then reading the next to us. If we wished to interrupt him, we were as free to do so as he was to interrupt us. There was one man in the class, I remember, who liked to read out-of-the-way books, and who used to break in on Mr. Lowell's translation with questions about Gabriel Harvey and other such worthies, rather humorously copying Mr. Lowell's own irrelevancies; but he could never get hold of anything so out of the way that Mr. Lowell had not read it, or at least could not talk about it as easily as if he had read it often. So, in a single college year, we read through the Divine Comedy, and the *Vita Nuova*, and dipped into the *Convito* and the lesser writings of Dante. And more than one of us learned to love them always.

We have already seen how many attractions Dante had for Lowell. "The more you study him," says he, in one of his letters, "the more sides you find, and yet the ray from him is always white light. I learn continually to prize him more as man, poet, artist, moralist, and teacher." As a man, Dante was for Lowell the preëminent figure of mediæval Italy, and he sometimes felt that Italian history of that day was chiefly of value so far as it furnished material for explanatory footnotes to Dante's greatest work. The young Florentine, who upon the very entrance into manhood had a fixed conception of the meaning and purport of life, and the exile, who in his last days could build out of his broken career that "three-arched bridge, still firm against the wash and wear of ages," guided and inspired him. The

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applicability of Dante's teaching to the practical conduct of our own lives, the fact that Dante's poem is the allegory of a human life, impressed Lowell very strongly. "Whatever subsidiary interpretations the poem is capable of," said he, "its great and primary value is as the autobiography of a human soul, of yours and mine it may be, as well as Dante's. In that lie its profound meaning and its permanent force."

As a moralist and teacher, Dante stood apart in Lowell's mind from the other truly great men of letters. Shakespeare was for him the most comprehensive intellect, but Dante the highest spiritual nature that has found expression in rhythmical form. "Dante," says he. "penetrates to the moral core of those who once fairly come within his sphere, and possesses them wholly." In his attitude towards this chosen hero of his, we catch a glimpse of the graver side of Lowell's nature, a phase in his well-rounded character which readers often lose sight of, through the abounding fun and wit they find within his pages.1 Lowell was true to his New England inheritance, and he shares with her other representative writers their healthy moral tone. He and Longfellow had much in common in their appreciation of Dante: the elevating and sustaining influence of the Divine Comedy was deeply felt by both of them. It was when he mourned the death of his wife that Longfellow turned for solace to the translating of Dante. Lowell speaks of loving Dante because "he is not merely a great poet, but an influence, part of the soul's resources in time of trouble." With the sacred imagery and religious tone of Longfellow's sonnets on translating the Divina Commedia, compare the following words from Lowell: "As the Gothic cathedral, then, is the type of the Christian idea, so is it also of Dante's poem. . . . Complete and harmonious in design as his work is, it is yet no pagan temple enshrining a type of the human made divine by triumph of corporeal beauty; it is not a private chapel housing a single saint and dedicated to one chosen bloom of Christian piety or devotion; it

^{1&}quot; Mr. Lowell, the jester, though he keeps slyly nudging Mr. Lowell, the critic, and occasionally interrupting his master's serious discourse with the privileged impertinence of motley, is still a person of secondary interest, and it is with his master's utterances that we are chiefly concerned." — William Watson, Excursions in Criticism.

is truly a cathedral, over whose altar hangs the emblem of suffering. of the divine made human, to teach the beauty of adversity, the eternal presence of the spiritual, — not overhanging and threatening, but informing and sustaining the material. In this cathedral of Dante's there are side-chapels, as is fit, with altars to all Christian virtues and perfections; but the great impression of its leading thought is that of aspiration, forever and ever. In the three divisions of the poem we may trace something more than a fancied analogy with a Christian basilica. There is, first, the ethnic forecourt, then the purgatorial middle space, and last the holy of holies dedicated to the eternal presence of the mediatorial God." Lowell's worship of Dante was never blind adoration; the critic within him never slumbered. else he could not have so laid hold of the essential traits of his author. He saw clearly, that though Dante was a great figure in the thought and statesmanship of the age in which he lived, it was as poet that he had the strongest claim upon posterity. Underlying the many-sided character of Dante, Lowell always saw the poet, "irradiating and vivifying, gleaming through in a picturesque phrase, or touching things unexpectedly with that ideal light which softens and subdues like distance in the landscape." Making every deduction for the dry patches of mediæval physics and metaphysics in the Divina Commedia, Lowell considered Dante the first of descriptive as well as of moral poets.

CHARLES ELIOT NORTON.

The last American Dante student of whom we shall speak is Mr. Norton, the friend of the three New England interpreters whose work we have just been reviewing, and himself a careful translator of Dante. Though the present occasion does not admit of a detailed account of Mr. Norton's services toward the spreading of Dantesque studies in America, yet our sketch would be incomplete without some passing reference to his work in this field.

Mr. Norton's earliest contribution to Dante literature appeared in the Atlantic Monthly for 1859, and consisted of an essay on the Vita Nuova, accompanied by specimen translations. In 1867 the completed translation was published, together with some additional comment. At that time the Vita Nuova was just beginning to receive the attention from English students warranted by its importance in Dante's literary history and development, and Mr. Norton's volume was therefore welcome. It is more literal than Rossetti's version, with which it was almost contemporaneous. In 1891-92 Mr. Norton published a prose translation of the Divina Commedia, — a translation in which the principles of his early work again rule.

It is only of recent years that the literal prose rendering of poetical work has received due recognition from the literary critic. Early associations act as powerful sources of prejudice, and there are many who after their college days are unable to regard a prose version in any other light than that of a "crib." This is unjust to such excellent work as the translations of Homer by Butcher, Leaf, Lang, Myers, and Palmer, and of Dante by Carlyle, Butler, and Norton. Some of these men are masters of English prose, but this is not the prime reason for their adoption of it as the vehicle of their authors' thoughts. They all grant that they leave unattempted half the problem of translation, but it is from no want of effort, no slackness of endeavor; they have chosen prose rather from a pressing sense that the charm which the genius of the poet has given to his verse is intransmutable. Yet the best of these translators into prose pay great attention to their English, and endeavor to please the ear while satisfying the exacting mind of a realistic age. The absence of care about rhythm and rhyme makes it possible for a literal prose translation to be so much easier of comprehension and assimilation at the first reading.

It is interesting to note how all the translators of Dante into English prose, even with their divergent conceptions as to the best means of attaining a common end, pay tribute to Dr. John Carlyle, the first to enter the field. Appreciating the excellence of Dr. Car-

¹ The earliest complete translation of the Vita Nuova into English was that by Joseph Garrow, published in Florence in 1846. Dean Plumptre, with characteristic carelessness, speaks of the translator as an American. Mr. Francis Boott, of Cambridge, Mass., who knew Garrow in Florence, assures me there is no doubt of Garrow having been an Irishman.

lyle's rendering of the *Inferno*, Mr. Butler began his translation with the second canticle. Dugdale's *Purgatorio* was undertaken in the hope that it might serve as a companion volume to Dr. Carlyle's *Inferno*. "Had Dr. Carlyle made a version of the whole poem," says Professor Norton in his preface, "I should hardly have cared to attempt a new one. His conception of what a translation should be is very much the same as my own." Of the barrenness of prose as a medium for thoughts born of a poet's mind and couched in the noblest verse, no one could be more conscious than Professor Norton, and he translates with the hope that the "imagination may mould the prose as it moulded the verse."

For the past ten years Mr. Norton has given instruction in Dante as part of his regular duties of Professor in Harvard College. In 1894 he delivered the Turnbull Lectures on poetry at Johns Hopkins University, choosing Dante for his theme.

A few more indications of the hold which Dante has taken on American scholarship and we are done with this part of our subject. That America should have the oldest of the existing Dante societies is a flattering proof of the seriousness of the interest shown here in his work. Mr. Norton was one of its founders: the Dante books which he had collected for his own use were given to the Harvard College Library, and formed the nucleus of the collection since maintained by the Dante Society. By the support and encouragement which this society gave to the publication of Dr. Fay's "Concordance," it has earned the gratitude of all students. This monument of diligence and care is an achievement of which the compiler can well feel proud. "I have often thought," writes Dr. Moore, "that the most generally useful commentary on the Divina Commedia in existence is the invaluable 'Concordance' of Dr. Fay."1 Scartazzini, who admits with gratitude that he daily finds need to consult this work, says that "its value can only be recognized and estimated after a lengthened use of it. It is certain that this at any rate will never grow dusty in the library of a student of Dante."

Americans have made many other contributions of a varied nature to Dantean literature, mostly livres de vulgarisation; but the future

^{1 &}quot;Studies in Dante," 1896, p. 45.

should be more productive than the past. The scholar of to-day has vastly greater facilities for carrying on his researches in America than had the student of a generation - yes, or even a decade ago. The Dante library at Harvard is now not his only rich resource. At Cornell University the student can find what is in some respects the most remarkable Dante collection in the world. Books have been gathered there from the four quarters to take their place in the cosmopolitan literature of the Divina Commedia and its author: its all-round completeness and bibliographical rarities are a delight to both the student and bibliophile. The donor, Mr. Willard Fiske, has said in a private letter of recent date: "My own collection is a surprise even to myself. I began it with the idea of sending to Cornell some two or three hundred of the more useful Dante works, that the student might have at least something to begin on. But my interest grew as the books turned up, until the collection became what it is." Then, too, the rich Italian library of the late Francis C. Macauley has recently been bequeathed to the University of Pennsylvania, and, with its wealth of early editions, may be expected to fill out in some measure the unavoidable gaps of the other two American collections.

Thus happily situated, Americans ought to grow familiar with Dante; but, as Lowell said, his life and work have in them a meaning of such depth as "few men have meaning enough in themselves wholly to penetrate." It is to be regretted that there is no hope of Dante ever taking the place of a popular author with us, of becoming one of our intimates. He would leave us a sense of the emptiness of much of that which we make our boast, and would teach us the instability of national position and the permanence of moral worth alone. But the great reading public cares little for instruction, and is given to avoiding those books in which it suspects reproof or correction. Those, however, who have come within the spell of Dante's poetry, his thought, and his ideals, are conscious of the enrichment of their lives and the ennobling of their own aspirations.

APPENDIX.

I. CRITIQUE ON CERTAIN PASSAGES IN DANTE. - DA PONTE.

FIRST PAPER.1

In the course of my investigations of the difficulties which the language and manner of Dante occasionally present, I have been led to believe that in ten or twelve instances at least, in the *Inferno* alone, modes of interpretation might be offered which would reconcile the objections of the critics, and remove all doubts of the meaning of the author. Of these I now subjoin the first, reserving the others for another opportunity.

. Inf. i. 29-30.

Ripresi via per la piaggia deserta, Sicchè il piè fermo sempre era il più basso.

In order to ascertain the actual situation, position, and movement of Dante, we ought to go back to verse 13:

Ma poi ch' io fui appiè del colle giunto Là ove terminava quella valle,

and to give to the expression appiè del colle a signification similar to that conveyed by the following line from one of Petrarch's sonnets:

Appiè de' colli ove la bella vesta.

1 "We recommend to the curious in Italian literature, and particularly to the admirers of the Divina Commedia, the following proposed interpretations of several very difficult passages in the Inferno of Dante. They are decidedly the best explanations we have seen of the passages referred to, on which, by the way, whole volumes have been written. With regard to the new reading of che i for ch' ei, the merest novice in Italian will acknowledge the improvement; and it is really surprising that a correction so simple, and so perfectly satisfactory, should not have been suggested by any of the Dantesque commentators, who for five hundred years have been striving to outdo each other in variae lectiones and new interpretations. The other explanations are ingenious and most probably correct."—[Editorial note in the New York Review and Athenaum Magazine, probably by Anderson.]

Here every one will admit that the poet does not speak of a place actually adjoining, but merely of a place very near the foot of the hills, in which place Laura was born, and where, too, the five pernici, supposed to be referred to by the poet, ranged while they lived "unhindered and unhurt."

There appear to me to be two good reasons for this interpretation. First, Dante in order to express perfect contact, makes use elsewhere of a much stronger expression. I refer to the 134th verse of the 17th canto of the *Inferno*.

Appiè appiè della stagliata rocca.

Secondly, if Dante had been actually at the foot of the hill, in the strict sense of the word, he could not possibly have seen its summit "clad in the sun's bright rays." Let us now examine how this construction agrees with the context.

Dante, "in the middle of the way of life," finds himself in the forest of Error. He cannot tell how he came there, but merely recollects that a moment previous he was "oppressed with sleep," that is, in a state of intellectual unconsciousness, arising from the violence of his passions. In this "rugged, wild, and gloomy" forest, he loses his way and soon after finds himself (he either will not or cannot tell how) at the foot of a hill bounding this valley or forest. Alarmed at this, he raises his eyes to the summit of the hill and there sees the rays of the sun. Allor fu la paura un poco queta, and he turns round to look upon the pass che non lascid giammai persona viva, that is, lascid passar, or in other words, the pass which no living soul ever omitted or was exempted from passing. Then

Riprese via per la piaggia deserta,

and this brings us to the difficulty.

It would be difficult to persuade me that this piaggia deserta means the beginning of the ascent. Dante says expressly that he resumed his previous way, or walked again along the piaggia,

Sicchè il piè fermo sempre era il più basso,

and then began to ascend. This ascent is, moreover, announced by an emphatic *Ed ecco*, denoting that then, and not till then, did the rise begin.

To conclude -

Ripresi via per la piaggia deserta,

¹ Spalle certainly means the summit of the hill, and not the quasi sommità, as Biagioli wishes us to believe; because if the sun's rays had reached the side of the hill, the forest would not have been dark, nor would the poet have been obliged to raise his eyes to see the light. — Da P.

I resumed my way along the solitary plain (where alone il più fermo sempre è il più basso), and walked toward the hill, — that is, toward the seat of truth; but in such a way that my firm foot was always lower than the other. This I take to mean: I still continued in the path of error, not daring to ascend the hill of truth. After going a short distance, and just as I had reached the beginning of the rise, my further progress is opposed by Pleasure, Pride, and Avarice, so much so that (to repeat Dante's jeu de mots),

Back to return at every turn I turned.

In this way the literal sense is abundantly perspicuous, and the allegorical extremely apt and beautiful.¹

SECOND PAPER.2

Among the arguments I offered, in my last communication, to support the interpretation I proposed, of the 30th line of the 1st canto of Dante's *Inferno*, I omitted to call your attention to the 31st line:

And lo! not far from the hill's first ascent,

¹ It is not Da Ponte's intention to make *piaggia* the equivalent of *piano*, which ordinarily is its direct opposite in meaning, but to interpret the word in its poetical signification of "quasivoglia luogo." In this sense, as is remarked in the "Vocabolario degli Accademici della Crusca," the word is equivalent to the Latin *plagae tractus*, or the Greek χώρα, and is used thus in Petrarch's lines:

Cesare taccio, che per ogni piaggia Fece l' erbe sanguigne,

and again

Consumando mi vo di piaggia in piaggia Il dì pensoso, poi piango la notte.

Dante uses the word half a dozen times in the *Commedia*, thrice in an unmistakable sense. From its primary meaning of hillside or slope, the word derives its secondary meaning of the bank of a river or the shore of an ocean; it occurs with the latter signification in *Inf.* iii. 92, *Purg.* ii. 50, xvii. 78. Da Ponte would, of course, translate the *piaggia* of *Inf.* ii. 62, in the same manner as in the line in the first canto. The only other occurrence of the word in the *Commedia* is in *Purg.* iv. 34-35:

Poichè noi fummo in su l' orlo supremo Dell' alta ripa, alla scoverta piaggia.

By different commentators and translators scoverta piaggia here has been variously understood as referring to the ridge of the mountain in full view, the unobstructed mountain side or slope, and the open country or lea beyond.—T. W. K.

2 "We again call the attention of amateurs to this critique. In the present instance the explanation offered is one of the happiest we have ever seen." — [Eds.]

which not only points out the place of the first appearance of the panther, but shows conclusively that Dante had not yet reached the "cominciar dell' erta,"—the beginning or foot of the ascent; because the interjection ecco is almost always used to denote the time and place of the first appearance of a new object, or the first occurrence of a new event. If Dante was prevented from going further by the "panther," when this panther was only "quasi al cominciar dell' erta," it follows, of course, that Dante had not yet arrived at the foot of the hill, his progress toward it being intercepted by the panther.

I now pass on to another passage which appears to me to have been strangely misunderstood.

Inf. iii. 109-111.

Caron dimonio, con occhi di bragia Loro accennando tutte le raccoglie, Batte col remo qualunque s' adagia.

The commentators have uniformly made batte an active verb, and have agreed to consider this last line as meaning that Charon, impatient at the delay,

Beats soundly with his oar the loitering shades!

Let us see how this strange commentary is supported by the context. At verse 71, Dante, seeing a great number of souls collecting on the bank of a river, turns to his conductor, saying,

Master, give me to know what souls are these, And what is that which makes them seem (for so Even through this feeble light to me they seem) In such swift haste to pass from shore to shore.

At verses 111, 117, these souls, which according to the commentators require the stimulus of Charon's oar (a long oar, by the way, he must have had), are described in the beautiful similitudes of Dante, as hastening to the boat

Like autumn foliage dropping to the ground, Or falcons stooping to the fowler's call.¹

Again, at verse 124, Virgil says that these lazy souls who, like asses at a

¹ Come d' autunno si levan le foglie L' una appresso dell' altra, infin che 'l ramo Rende alla terra tutte le sue spoglie; Similemente il mal seme d' Adamo Gittansi di quel lito ad una ad una Per cenni, com' augel per suo richiamo. ferry, must, it seems, be beaten with an oar to make them move, are always eager to get over; because, to use the poet's own strong language,

The justice of their Judge so pricks them on, That fear is lost in longing.

Surely such a commentary has no need of comment. The following is the explanation I would offer. Charon, says the poet,

With eyes of fire and guiding glance of sign, Gathers them all together.

With what sign? The answer, one would think, was obvious enough: "the grim ferryman" batte col remo, strikes with his oar,—and then—qualunque s' adagia—each one takes his seat in Charon's barque,¹ and that willingly, and even eagerly; because, in the words of Dante, above translated,

La divina giustizia gli sprona Sì che la tema si volge in disio.²

THIRD PAPER.

Inf. v. 77-78.

Vedrai quando saranno
Più presso a noi; e tu allor gli prega
Per quell' amor ch' ei mena; e quei verranno.

Thou shalt see,

When they are nearer; then adjure them by

That love which is their lord, and they will come.

Venturi tells us that ei is here taken in the sense of eglino; but yet, he adds with great gravity, you cannot say eino instead of eglino; whereupon he utters maledictions against the absurdities of grammar. Volpi, I believe, has closed his eyes upon this passage, as well as the Avignon editor, who on

¹ This is certainly one of the significations of *adagiarsi*, which means not only to walk *adagio* or slowly, but to sit *a suo agio*—at one's ease—in a convenient or reclining posture. This is, in all probability, the meaning of the word as it occurs in Petrarch, Part I, Canzone v, st. iii, v. 10,

Il Pastor, etc.,
Ivi senza pensier s' adagia e dorme. — Da P.

- ² For a recent statement of the various interpretations of this passage, see the chapter on "L' adagiarsi delle anime" in O. Antognoni's "Saggio di studj sopra la Commedia di Dante," Livorno, 1893, and the discussion occasioned by G. Maruffi's note in "Giornale dantesco," 1893, vol. i, pp. 217-218.— T. W. K.
- ⁸ "La divina commedia, con argomenti ed annotazioni scelte dai migliori commentatori." Avignone, 1816. 3 vol. 24°.

more occasions than one shows himself marvelously clever in getting around a difficulty. Lombardi has recourse to a ridiculous paraphrasis, and Biagioli thinks ch' ei mena means ch' ei mena insieme, which might answer if we make ei the nominative case singular, referring to amore. It is certainly very singular, that amidst such a variety of explanations, not a commentator among them all appears to have suspected the interpretation which I take to be undoubtedly the true one, and which one would think is almost as obvious as it is completely satisfactory. To have the right reading, it is not necessary to alter a letter or a stop; in the word ei detach the i from the e and everything is clear:

E tu gli prega
Per quell' amor che i mena, e quei verranno.²

The pronoun i is then in the objective case plural, for li or g/li, and this is so far from being a harsh construction that we have the authority of Dante himself for this identical license:

La sconoscente vita che i fe sozzi.

Inf. vii. 53.

In the same way another sentence, which has been considered an obscure one, is made perfectly intelligible. Let the 18th verse of the 18th canto of the *Inferno* be printed thus:

Infino al pozzo che i tronca e raccogli;

and all the forced and far-fetched explanations of the commentators fall to the ground as useless or absurd.

Inf. ix. 7-8.

Pure a noi converrà vincer la pugna, Comminciò ei — se non — tal ne s' offerse.

- 1 "Sincope d' elli, adoperato dagli antichi nel retto caso e nell' obbliquo, equivale qul a loro, ch' ei mena, dice così invece di dire, ch' è loro cagione d' essere da quella buf èra dimenati."
- ² This reading is now quite generally adopted. Bartolommeo Perazzini gave it in his "Corectiones et adnotationes," originally published in 1775, in a miscellaneous volume long since a rarity, and reprinted by Scolari in his "Intorno alle Epistole latine di Dante," Venice, 1844. "Sic legendum censet," says Perazzini, "erud. Joseph Thomasellius heic et ubique similis locus occurrat, cum nusquam ei occusativum invenire sit. Et quidem apud Vellutellum ita legimus:

Per quell' amore, che i mena, et ei verranno."

Since about 1835, in the case of the passage cited by Da Ponte, as well as in the similar ones of Par. xii. 26, and xxix. 4, che i has been given in all but the carelessly edited texts and the reprints of old works. — T. W. K.

The commentators, without exception, consider the pronoun *tal* as referring here to Beatrice. With all due respect to that "donna gentile," I cannot help thinking that the Angel is the person here alluded to, and that for three reasons: First, because the lady Beatrice did not offer any personal assistance to Dante, but merely solicited in his behalf the services of Virgil, and, after having thus addressed him,

Or muovi, e con la tua parola ornata E con ciò ch' è mestieri al suo compare L' ajuta sì ch' io ne sia consolata,

she then told him her name and her desire to return to the place she had left, and concluded by assuring him that she would not forget to speak well of him when she went back to Heaven.

Quando sarò d' avanti al Signor mio Di te mi loderò sovente a lui.

Secondly, because *ne s' offerse* does not so much signify "offered her assistance," as "made her appearance to us," and seems to have reference to the passage,

E già di quà da lei discende l' erta Passando per li cerchi senza scorta Tal che per lui ci fia la terra aperta.

And thirdly, because tal ne s' offerse, with ne in the plural number, is scarcely compatible with the interpretation hitherto received, but peculiarly appropriate to the one I have proposed. Beatrice appeared only to Virgil, but the Angel was then descending to present himself before Virgil while Dante was with him, as appears by the verses we have quoted above.

How the aposiopesis, se non, is to be supplied, it is perhaps not very easy to determine. But it is probable that Virgil was on the point of saying something disagreeable to Dante, or at least calculated to increase his apprehensions; for instance, "if Beatrice has not deceived us," "if Heaven has not altered its decrees," or something similar; and then suddenly correcting himself, or recollecting the promises of the Angel, finished his sentence in the tone and language of encouragement.

I add a short remark on the third line of the first canto:

Che la diritta via era smarrita.

To say that che has in this place the meaning of talmente chè or perochè or perchè, which is the explanation almost universally given, is certainly a mistake. Biagioli is the only annotator who has pointed out the error and inconsistency of this interpretation. He agrees with Volpi that there is here an ellipsis of the preposition in, but neither he nor Volpi adduce any

classical authority for the use of *che* in the sense of *in che*. There exists, however, a remarkable and conclusive instance of this kind in Petrarch, Part I, son. ii, v. 1:

Era il giorno che al Sol si scoloraro.

Dante himself furnishes another example, Inf. i. 11:

Tanto era pien di sonno in su quel punto Che la verace via abbandonai.

L. DA PONTE.

II. WILLIAM HICKLING PRESCOTT.

Da Ponte was an ardent advocate of everything Italian, and he fervently resented any imputations, fancied or real, upon the honor of his native country, whether it concerned letters, music, manners, or morals. So sensitive was he in this matter that at the time of the trial of Oueen Caroline, when aspersions were cast upon the Italian character, he felt called upon to address an ode to George IV; and again in 1824 when our own historian, Prescott, published in the North American Review an article on "Italian Narrative Poetry," Da Ponte thought he saw a slighting estimate of the genius of his fellowcountrymen, and forthwith issued a reply. That Da Ponte misunderstood the position taken by Prescott is plainly evident to us of to-day, and that Prescott had a real fondness for the Italian authors his writings and letters go to show. One of these letters is concerned with his first impressions of Dante, and I shall cite a considerable portion of it, because of its interest as one of the earliest American estimates of the great Florentine. The letter is dated 1824, and was written to George Ticknor, who printed it in his biography of his friend, stating that Prescott "never ceased to talk of Dante in the same tone of admiration in which he thus broke forth in the first study of him, - a noteworthy circumstance, because owing to the imperfect vision that so crippled and curtailed his studies, he was never afterwards able to refresh his first impressions, except, as he did it from time to time, by reading a few favorite passages, or listening to them." It is to be remembered that this is but a familiar letter to a friend, and though the writer must have given the subject some thought, he himself would doubtless have polished and revised his estimate before printing it.

I have finished the *Paradiso* of Dante, and feel as if I had made a most important addition to the small store of my acquisitions. To have read the *Inferno* is not to have read Dante; his genius shows itself under so very different an aspect in each of his three poems. The *Inferno* will always be the most popular, because it is the most—indeed the only one that is at all—entertaining. Human nature is so delightfully constituted that it can never derive half the pleasure from any relation of happiness that it does from one of misery and extreme suffering. Then there is a great deal of narrative, of action in the *Inferno*, and very little in the two other parts. Notwithstanding all this, I think the impression produced on the mind of the reader by the two latter portions of the work much the most pleasing. You impute a finer, a more exquisite (I do not mean a more powerful), intellectual character to the poet, and, to my notion, a character more deeply touched with a true poetical feeling.

The Inferno consists of a series of pictures of the most ingenious, the most acute, and sometimes the most disgusting bodily sufferings. I could wish that Dante had made more use of the mind as a source and a means of anguish. Once he has done it with beautiful effect, in the description of a Barattiere, I believe, who compares his miserable state in hell with his pleasant residence on the banks of the Arno, and draws additional anguish from the comparison. In general, the sufferings he inflicts are of a purely physical nature. His devils and bad spirits, with one or two exceptions, which I remember you pointed out, are much inferior in moral grandeur to Milton's. How inferior that stupendous, overgrown Satan of his to the sublime spirit of Milton, not yet stripped of all its original brightness. I must say that I turn with more delight to the faultless tale of Francesca da Polenta than to that of Ugolino, or of any other in the poem. Perhaps it is in part from its being in such a dark setting, that it seems so exquisite by contrast. The long talks in the Purgatorio and the dismal disputations in the Paradiso certainly lie very heavy on these parts of the work; but then this very inaction brings out some of the most conspicuous beauties in Dante's composition.

In the *Purgatorio* we have, in the first ten cantos, the most delicious descriptions of natural scenery, and we feel like one who has escaped from a dungeon into a rich and beautiful country. In the latter portions of it he often indulges in a noble tone of moral reflection. I look upon the *Purga*-

^{1 &}quot;My friend says, with some hesitation, 'a Barattiere, I believe.' It was in fact a 'Falsificatore'—a counterfeiter—and not a barrator or peculator. The barrators are found in the twenty-first canto of the Inferno; but the beautiful passage here alluded to is in the thirtieth."—G. T.

than any other part of the Commedia. In the Paradiso his shocking argumentations are now and then enlivened by the pepper and salt of his political indignation, but at first they both discouraged and disgusted me, and I thought I should make quick work of the business. But upon reading further, — thinking more of it, — I could not help admiring the genius which he has shown in bearing up under so oppressive a subject. It is so much easier to describe gradations of pain than of pleasure, — but more especially when this pleasure must be of a purely intellectual nature. It is like a painter sitting down to paint the soul. The Scriptures have not done it successfully. They paint the physical tortures of hell, fire, brimstone, etc., but in heaven the only joys, i.e., animal joys, are singing and dancing, which to few people convey a notion of high delight and to many are positively disagreeable.

Let any one consider how difficult, nay impossible, it is to give an entertaining picture of purely intellectual delight. The two highest kinds of pure spiritual gratification which, I take it, a man can feel, — at least, I esteem it so, — are that arising from a consciousness of a reciprocated passion (I speak as a lover), and, second, one of a much more philosophic cast, that arising from the successful exertion of his own understanding (as in composition, for instance). Now Dante's pleasures in the Paradiso are derived from these sources. Not that he pretends to write books there, but then he disputes like a doctor upon his own studies, — subjects most interesting to him, but unfortunately to no one else. . . .

In all this, however, there was a great want of action, and Dante was forced, as in the *Purgatorio*, to give vent to his magnificent imagination in other ways. He has therefore made use of all the meagre hints suggested metaphorically by the Scriptures, and we have the three ingredients, light, music, and dancing, in every possible and impossible degree of diversity. The *Inferno* is a sort of tragedy, full of action and characters, all well preserved. The *Paradiso* is a great melodrama, where little is said, but the chief skill bestowed upon the machinery, — the getting up, — and certainly there never was such a getting up, anywhere. Every canto blazes with a new and increased effulgence. The very reading of it by another strained my poor eyes. And yet, you never become tired of these gorgeous illustrations, — it is the descriptions that fatigue.

Another beauty, in which he indulges more freely in the last than in the other parts, is his unrivalled similes. I should think you might glean from the *Paradiso* at least one hundred all new and appropriate, fitting, as he says, "like a ring to a finger," and most beautiful. Where are there any comparisons so beautiful?

I must say I was disappointed with the last canto; but then, as the Irishman said, I expected to be. For what mortal mind could give a portrait of the Deity? The most conspicuous quality in Dante, to my notion, is simplicity. In this I think him superior to any work I ever read, unless it be some parts of the Scriptures. Homer's allusions, as far as I recollect, are not taken from as simple and familiar, yet not vulgar objects, as are Dante's,—from the most common, intimate relations of domestic life, for instance, to which Dante often with great sweetness of nature alludes.

I think it was a fortunate thing for the world that the first poem in modern times was founded on a subject growing out of the Christian religion, or more properly on that religion itself, and that it was written by a man deeply penetrated with the spirit of its sternest creed. The religion indeed would have had its influence sooner or later upon literature. But then a work like Dante's, showing so early the whole extent of its powers, must have had an incalculable influence over the intellectual world, — an influence upon literature almost as remarkable as that exerted by the revelation of Christianity upon the moral world.

It is to Prescott's credit that he saw, at his first reading, the points in which the *Purgatorio* and the *Paradiso* are superior to the *Inferno*. This is often not seen by the reader until he knows well the entire poem. In other things, however, Prescott shows himself but a novitiate. For example, he has extravagant praise to bestow on Cary's translation, expressing himself of the opinion that "Dante would have given him a place in his ninth heaven, if he could have foreseen his translation." He does not quite approve of the liberties Cary takes, yet commends him for giving "the spirit of the original, the true Dantesque manner." We must not be surprised at this overestimate of Cary; Coleridge, Southey, and Macaulay went equally wide of the mark in their estimates of him. Would that it were possible for any translation to give at once the spirit and the manner of the original.

Lowell, on the contrary, finds nothing in all poetry approaching the imaginative grandeur of Dante's vision of God.

^{1 &}quot;No such personification can be effected without the illustration from physical objects, and how degrading are these to our conceptions of Omnipotence! The repeated failures of the Italians who have attempted this in the arts of design are, still more conspicuous. Even the genius of Raphael has only furnished another proof of the impotence of his art."—From Prescott's reply to Da Ponte.

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Note.—The plan of the present list calls for but little explanation. Its purpose is for historical rather than scholarly or literary ends. It aims at completeness (but, of course, does not attain it), and many of the items have no value or interest apart from that derived from their date or authorship. The style of entry adopted was fixed upon only after considerable thought. In deciding various questions of form, I have been favored with the opinions of Mr. W. C. Lane.

No notice is taken of the purely eclectic literature (except when the article or review is of American origin), nor of American reprints of English works containing essays on, translations from, or homage to Dante; only when the latter have been printed separately in this country do they come within the scope of the present list. Thus, Byron's "Prophecy of Dante," Philadelphia, 1821, is entered, but no mention is made of the same poem as embodied in the four-volume edition of Byron's works printed in New York the same year. Reissues of American works from stereotyped plates, although commonly spoken of by the publishers as separate editions, are here, as far as practicable, referred to under the notice of the first appearance of the work in that form or edition; otherwise we should have a score of entries for Longfellow's translation. No mention is made of English works, printed in England, and for trade purposes bound in this country with the imprint of an American publisher. Of the numerous "editions" of Cary's translation bearing the imprint of American publishers, I have only entered such as I could assure myself have been printed in this country from type or from American plates. Copies of nearly all these trade ventures in Cary are to be found in the Harvard College Library; a list of them was given in the last report of the Dante Society.

Reviews of American works are grouped together under the entry of the book in question. Notices and short reviews of foreign works are grouped together chronologically, forming footnotes to the domestic literature of the respective years. Works by American authors published abroad are regularly included, as are also foreign articles on American writers. The earlier entries are furnished with fuller notes than the more familiar literature of recent years seemed to call for. I have carried the bibliography into Canada, Mexico, and South America, but here the entries must, I am sure, be very incomplete.

When the books referred to are neither in the Harvard College Library (HCL), nor in the Boston Public Library (BPL), I have generally indicated, by

means of abbreviations, the location of a copy. Thus, AL is the Astor Library, BA the Boston Athenæum, BM the British Museum, BUL the Brown University Library (Harris Collection of American Poetry), CCL the Columbia College Library, CUL the Cornell University Library (Fiske Dante Collection), LL the Lenox Library, ML the Marsh Library of the University of Vermont, PHS the Pennsylvania Historical Society, and PLC the Philadelphia Library Company.

1807.

Il canto xxxiii [vv. 1-84] di Dante. Recitato dalla Signora E. B. (In Storia compendiosa della vita di Lorenzo da Ponte, scritta da lui medesimo. A cui si aggiunge la prima letteraria conversazione tenuta in sua casa, il giorno 10 di marzo, dell'anno 1807, in New York, consistente in alcune composizioni italiane, sì in verso che in prosa, tradotte in inglese da'suoi allievi. New York, J. Riley & Co. 1807. 12°. pp. 50-53.)

With this note: "The translation of this divine piece of poetry... will be published in the second conversazione." I have never seen a second part and do not believe it was ever issued. The above is Da Ponte's first American publication; Sabin makes no mention of it. The New York Historical Society has long had a copy and the BPL has recently been presented with one by Mr. Allen A. Brown.

[Welles, Benjamin.] Dante Alighieri. (In the Monthly anthology. (Boston.) May, 1807. vol. iv, pp. 253-255.)

1816.

Character, (The) of Dante. (In the Portfolio. July, 1816. pp. 61-63.)

In an extended review of Sismondi's work "On the literature of the south of Europe."

Hunt, (James Henry) Leigh. The story of Rimini; a poem. Boston, Wells & Lilly; Philadelphia, M. Carey. 1816. 16°. pp. xvi + 85.

CUL; PLC.

Reviewed [by William Tudor] in the *North American review*, July, 1816, vol. iii, pp. 272-283; — in the *Portfolio*, Dec. 1817, p. 517.

"The 'Story of Rimini' had not long appeared when I received a copy of it, which looked like witchcraft. It was the identical poem, in type and appearance, bound in calf, and sent me without any explanation; but it was a little smaller. I turned it over a dozen times, wondering what it could be, and how it could have originated. The simple solution of the puzzle I did not consider,

till I had summoned other persons to partake of my astonishment. At length we consulted the title-page, and there saw the names of 'Wells & Lilly, Boston, and M. Carey, Philadelphia.' — Hunt's "Autobiography," London, 1860, p. 231.

1819.

[Gray, John Chipman.] Dante. (In the North American review. Mar. 1819. vol. viii, pp. 322-347.)

Reprinted in his "Essays, agricultural and literary." Boston, Little, Brown & Co. 1856. 12°. pp. 253-302.

1821.

Byron, George Gordon Noel Byron, 6th baron. The prophecy of Dante; a poem. Philadelphia, M. Carey & Sons. 1821. 12°. pp. 48.

Reviewed in the Literary gazette (Phila.), June 9, 1821, vol. i, pp. 353-355;
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— La profezia di Dante. Tradotta in terza rima da L[ORENZO] DA PONTE. Nuova Jorca, R. & W. A. Bartow. 1821. 24°. pp. 72. BM; CCL.

The English original and Italian translation are given on opposite pages. There is a prefatory letter to Lord Byron, and a dedication of the book to Miss Julia Livingston. Pp. 63-70 are given up to the translator's notes, while the last two pages of the volume contain a list of subscribers to the book, — very helpful in showing what excellent patronage Da Ponte enjoyed at this time of his life. The copy in the CCL belonged to Bishop Manton Eastburn, one of the subscribers.

1822.

The Vision; or Hell, Purgatory, and Paradise, of Dante Alighieri. Translated by Henry Francis Cary. Philadelphia, Samuel Bradford. 1822. 2 vol. 24°. Frontisps.

Published as vols. xlv, xlvi of "The works of the English poets," edited by Robert Walsh, Jr. HCL has a second copy with the added imprint "New York, James Eastburn; Boston, Charles Ewer & Timothy Bedlington," issued as vols. vi, vii of the translated poets in the series.

Byron, George Gordon Noel Byron, 6th baron. La profezia di Dante.

Tradotta in terza rima da L[ORENZO] DA PONTE. Seconda edizione, con note ed aggiunte di varie poesie originali. Nuova Jorca, R. & W. A. Bartow. 1822. 24°. pp. 96+(6). Frontisp. CCL; ML.

With a portrait of Da Ponte, N. Rogers, pinx., M. Pekenino, sc. Pp. 1-70 are from the plates of the first edition; the remainder of the volume is taken up with additional translations from Byron, a Latin and an English version of the poetical portion of Da Ponte's letter to Byron, together with some original verse, and the list of subscribers. The last page is numbered 100 by mistake. A copy in the possession of Mr. Norton lacks the portrait.

Carefully reviewed in the *Literary and scientific repository*, 1822, vol. iv, pp. 310-319, by an anonymous writer who knew well both his English and Italian and pointed out a number of liberties taken by the translator. To this was probably due the change of title to "Libera traduzione della profezia di Dante," when printed in Da Ponte's "Memorie," 2da ed., 1829-30, vol. iii, part ii, pp. 1-38. The translation and the letter to Byron are reprinted in Da Ponte's "Memorie, compendiate da Jacopo Bernardi, e scritti vari in prosa e poesia," Firenze, *succ. Le Monnier*, 1871, sm. 8°, pp. 243-271.

1825.

Ponte, Lorenzo da. Critique on certain passages in Dante. (In the New York review and Athenæum magazine. 1825. vol. i, pp. 156-158, 241-242, 325-327.)

BA; CCL; CUL.

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1827.

Ponte, Lorenzo da. Storia della lingua e letteratura italiana in New York.

Con alcune lettere italiane, francesi, e spagnuole, dalle damigelle della sua triplice classe. E due lettera ad rem del Sig. T. Matthias all' autore.

New York, Gray & Bunce. 1827. 24°. pp. xxv + 80 + 12 + (3).

AL; LC; NYSL.

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1830.

Featherstonhaugh, George William. The death of Ugolino; a tragedy. Philadelphia, Carey & Lea. 1830. 8°. pp. 116.

"Many years ago the author translated the whole of the Divina Commedia into blank verse, upon a suggestion in the Edinburgh Review. He was preparing it for the press when the able and faithful translation of Mr. Cary appeared. The work was then laid by with other rejectamenta. Amongst some papers unexpectedly preserved from a painful catastrophe, a selection of translated passages from Dante's great poem was found. The terrible images

with which the thirty-third canto of the Inferno is pregnant led the author gradually into the idea of raising a tragedy out of the ruins of his translation, in the which he might preserve some favorite passages, the only memorial to the author of his former labors. They will be easily recognized by those who are familiar with the Divina Commedia."—Preface.

The above is the only edition of this drama. The author was an Englishman who spent many years in this country in the employ of our government as "United States geologist." In 1834 he published in Washington, D. C., a translation of Manzoni's "I promessi sposi."

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1831.

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Contains a comparison of Milton with Dante.

Griffin, Edward Dorr. Dante. (In his Remains, compiled by Francis Griffin. New York, G. & C. & H. Carvill, etc. 1831. 8°. pp. 326-337.)

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"In 1830 the Rev. E. D. Griffin gave a course of lectures at Columbia College on Roman, Italian, and English literature, devoting at least one lecture to Dante; but the course was soon ended by his early death." — P. C. Knapp, Jr., in "Encyclopædia americana," 1884.

M[artin], J. L. [Lines on Inf. v. 121-123,] "Nessun maggior dolore che ricordarsi del tempo felice nella miseria." (In his Native bards; a satirical effusion, with other occasional pieces. Philadelphia, E. L. Carey & A. Hart. 1831. 12°. pp. 102-103.)

1832.

Dante. (In the American monthly review (Cambridge, Mass.), April, 1832. vol. i, pp. 344-345.)

An account of a copy of the 1477 edition of the Divina Commedia presented to the HCL by Mr. O. Rich of London, Eng.

[Inglis, Miss Frances, afterwards Madame CALDERON DE LA BARCA.] Dante. (In the North American review. Oct. 1833. vol. xxxvii, pp. 50-536.)

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Ponte, Lorenzo L. da. [Florence in the time of Dante.] (In his History of the Florentine republic. New York, Collins & Hannay. 1833. 12°. vol. i, pp. 71-100.)

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S. Translations of Dante. (In the New England magazine. Dec. 1833. vol. v, pp. 474-480.)

Contains a review of Cary and gives some original fragmentary renderings.

V., U. de. Italian literature: Dante. (In the Shrine. Jan. 1833. vol. ii, pp. 35-39.)

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The magazine was "conducted by a number of undergraduates in Amherst College."

1835.

Niebuhr, Barthold Georg. [Essay on the allegory in the first canto of Dante, translated from the MS. by Francis Lieber.] (In Lieber, F. Reminiscences of an intercourse with Mr. Niebuhr, the historian, during a residence with him in Rome in the years 1822 and 1823. Philadelphia, Carey, Lea & Blanchard. 1835. sm. 8°. pp. 189-192.)

Reprinted in Lieber's "Reminiscences, addresses, and essays." Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & Co. 1881. 8°. pp. 146-148.

1836.

Dante's Beatrice. By the author of 'The affianced one.' (In the Token and Atlantic souvenir. Boston, Charles Bowen. 1836. 16°. pp. 105-112.)

With John Cheney's engraving of Washington Allston's "Beatrice," opp. p. 105.

Goodrich, Samuel Griswold. Dante's Beatrice, as painted by Allston and engraved by Cheney. (In his The outcast and other poems. Boston, Russell, Shattuck & Williams. 1836. 12°. p. 192.)

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1839.

The celestial pilot [Purg. ii. 13-51]. The terrestial paradise [Purg. xxviii. 1-33]. Beatrice [Purg. xxx. 13-33, 85-99; xxxi. 13-21]. [Translated by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, H. W. Voices of the night. Cambridge, John Owen. 1839. 16°. pp. 99-108.)

Reprinted with some slight changes in later editions and in his complete works; also in his "Poets and poetry of Europe," 1845. The revised version is given in the 1893 edition of Longfellow's "Poetical works," vol. vi, pp. 333-341, with footnote readings from the original rendering, and "for the convenience of the reader, who may wish to make the comparison, the final form of the passages, as presented in the complete translation of the Purgatorio, is subjoined in small type."

"These translations are of interest in many respects, but especially as showing that Mr. Longfellow had already adopted the principle of literal, verse for verse, unrhymed translation, which he adhered to when he undertook the task of translating the whole of the Divine Comedy. The versions are of great beauty, and are embodied with little change in the complete work. But it is well worth while to compare the passages as they stand in the 'Voices of the night,' and in their place in the translation of the Divine Comedy, in order to note the later revision which the poet gave to them, and to mark the signs it affords of increased simplicity, literalness, and perfected art. The comparison is an instructive study of the refinement of poetic expression. The last touch, the hardest part of the artist's task according to the proverb of the Greek sculptor, perfects the work."—C. E. Norton, "First annual report of the Dante Society," 1882, p. 19.

Homer, Dante, Rabelais and Shakespeare. By an apprentice of the law. (In the Corsair. 1839. vol. i, pp. 609-611.)

The magazine was a New York venture edited by N. P. Willis and T. O. Porter.

1840.

[Clarke,] S[arah]. Dante; [poem]. (In the Dial. July, 1840. vol. i, p. 136.)

One of several scraps thrown into the last pages of the first number of the Dial. Under date of July 5, 1840, Margaret Fuller writes thus to Emerson concerning this feature of the first issue: "Did you observe the absurdity of

the last two pages? These are things they had to fill up blanks, and which, thinking 't was pity such beautiful thoughts should be lost, they put in for climax!"

1841.

[Carlyle on Dante.] (In Arcturus, (New York). 1841. vol. i, pp. 356-357.)

BA.

Notes of a lecture given by Thomas Carlyle in May, 1839, in a series of lectures on the revolutions of modern Europe.

Durante Alighieri, or Dante. By a new contributor. (In the Knicker-bocker magazine. Oct. 1841. vol. xviii, pp. 275-287.)

A fanciful sketch of Dante's life, with a translation of the first sonnet of the "Vita nuova."

[Irving, Washington.] American researches in Italy.—Life of Tasso. Recovery of a lost portrait of Dante. (In the Knickerbocker. Oct. 1841. vol. xviii, pp. 319-322.)

Signed "G. C." (Geoffrey Crayon). An account of the Italian studies of R. H. Wilde, cited in the body of the present work, pp. 31-33.

[Parsons, Thomas William.] On a bust of Dante. (In the Advertiser and patriot, (Boston). Oct. 7, 1841.)

The poem is signed "P. P. P." This is the earliest printed version. In 1843 it appeared in the author's "First ten cantos of the Inferno" in revised form, with the addition of the stanza beginning "Not wholly such his haggard look."

The poem is quoted in the Knickerbocker magazine, 1843, vol. xxii, p. 175, and again in 1854, vol. xliv, pp. 514-515; "and," remarks the editor, "we are the more glad to do this because we perceive the same exquisite lines, in journals of wide circulation, wrongfully attributed to the pen of Gerald Massey." Noticed in Putnam's magazine, July, 1855, vol. vi, p. 52.

Reprinted in Parsons' "Poems," 1854, pp. 47-49;—in his "Seventeen cantos of the Inferno," 1865, pp. [ix]-xi;—in his "The old house at Sudbury," 1870, pp. 112-114;—in his "Poems," 1893, pp. 1-3. Also in the Athenæum, Mar. 23, 1844, p. 268;—in "The estray" [edited by H. W. Longfellow], 1847, pp. 60-63;—in Griswold's "Poets and poetry of America," 1850, p. 466;—in Duyckinck's "Cyclopædia of American literature," 1855, vol. ii, p. 642;—(incomplete) in the Spectator, July 18, 1868, vol. xli, p. 855;—in Underwood's "Handbook of English literature: American authors," 1873, pp. 451-452;—in W. J. Linton's "Poetry of America," 1878, pp. 186-187;—in the Century magazine, Feb. 1884, vol. xxvii, pp. 574-575;—in C. A. Dana's "Household book of poetry," new ed., 1884, pp. 418-419;—in the Century magazine, July, 1894, vol. xlviii, p. 324;—in the Italian gazette (Florence),

Nov. 17, 1894 (CUL); — in A. B. Simonds' "American song," 1894, pp. 225–227; — in W. C. Bryant's "New library of poetry and song," revised and enlarged [1895], p. 908. In Stedman and Hutchinson's "Library of American literature," 1889, vol. vii, pp. 389–390, Dr. Parsons' final revision of the poem is given from a manuscript of 1888.

Translated into Italian: "Versi sopra un busto di Dante tradotti dall' inglese dal generale Masi." [With the English original.] Palermo, Lao. 1872. 8°. pp. 9.

See also the Critic, Feb. 16, 1889, vol. xiv, p. 79.

T., M. Dante. (In the Iris, or literary messenger, (New York). May, 1841. vol. i, pp. 341-352.)

A sketch of Dante's life and work.

1843.

The first ten cantos of the Inferno of Dante Alighieri. Newly translated into English verse [by Thomas William Parsons]. Boston, William D. Ticknor. 1843. 8°. pp. 83. Port.

The portrait is an outline engraving of a bust of Dante, D. C. Johnston, sc. Reviewed in the Knickerbocker magazine, Aug. 1843, vol. xxii, p. 175;—[by C. C. Felton] in the North American review, Oct. 1843, vol. lvii, pp. 496-499;—in the Athenaum, Mar. 23, 1844, pp. 267-269;—with many other Dantesque works, in the Westminster review, Jan. 1861, new series, vol. xix, pp. 201-231.

See also [Ward, S. G.] Translation of Dante. 1844.

Selections from the translation were given in Longfellow's "Poets and poetry of Europe," 1845. Further volumes of the translation were printed in 1865, 1867, 1872, 1893.

1844.

[Ward, Samuel Gray.] Translation of Dante. (In the Dial. Jan. 1844. vol. iv, pp. 285-290.)

A review of Parsons' "First ten cantos," 1843.

1845.

The Vision: or Hell, Purgatory, and Paradise of Dante Alighieri. Translated by Henry Francis Cary. With the life of Dante, chronological view of his age, additional notes, and index. Illustrated with twelve engravings from designs by John Flaxman. From the last corrected London edition [1844]. New York, D. Appleton & Co. 1845. 16°. pp. 587. Port. and plates.

The portrait of Dante, engraved by Phillibrown, is from the Giotto fresco after restoration.

Reissued in 1851, 1853, 1859, 1863, 1869, 1890, and perhaps other years, without any change other than the date and imprint, some having added "Philadelphia, Geo. S. Appleton." Reviewed in the American review, a Whig journal, April, 1846, vol. iii, p. 453.

Beatrice [Par. xxiii. 1-34]. [Translated by Francis Calley Gray.] (In Longfellow, H. W., editor. Poets and poetry of Europe. Philadelphia, Carey & Hart. 1845. 4°. p. 524.)

In terza rima. The translator has left some unpublished fragmentary renderings from Dante which I have not seen.

Boccaccio, Giovanni. Dante; [sonnet]. [Translated by Francis Calley Gray.] (In Longfellow, H. W., editor. Poets and poetry of Europe. Philadelphia, Carey & Hart. 1845. 4°. p. 534.)

The sonnet is the one beginning "Dante Alighieri son, Minerva oscura," and is reprinted in "Poems of places, edited by H. W. Longfellow.—Italy," Boston, J. R. Osgood, 1877, vol. ii, pp. 66-67;— in N. C. Hunt's "The poetry of other lands," Philadelphia, Porter & Coates (cop. 1883), p. 165;— in S. Waddington's "The sonnets of Europe," London, Walter Scott, 1886, p. 40.

[Goodrich, Samuel Griswold.] Literature, ancient and modern, with specimens. By the author of Peter Parley's Tales. New York, *John Allen*. 1845. 16°. pp. 336.

pp. 165-175, Dante.

Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth. Dante Alighieri. (In his Poets and poetry of Europe. Philadelphia, Carey & Hart. 1845. 4°. pp. 512–524.)

An original essay on the life and writings of Dante, followed by selected translations by Charles Lyell, Lord Byron, T. W. Parsons, and I. C. Wright, with Longfellow's own translations of 1839. Two translations by F. C. Gray, one of Par. xxiii. 1-34, and a sonnet from Boccaccio, were published here for the first time; see supra.

This portion of the volume noticed [by Francis Bowen] in the review of the above in the North American review, July, 1845, vol. lxi, pp. 225-227; — [by C. C. Felton] in the Christian examiner, Sept. 1845, vol. xxxix, pp. 235-236.

Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth. Dante; [sonnet]. (In his The belfry of Bruges and other poems. Cambridge, John Owen. 1845. 16°. pp. 111-112.)

Beginning "Tuscan, that wanderest through the realms of gloom." Reprinted in all later editions and in his complete works; also in Philip Schaff's "Literature and poetry," 1890, p. 343;—in A. B. Simonds' "American song," 1894, p. 76.

Translated into German by Hermann Simon, in his "Sämmtliche poetische Werke von H. W. Longfellow," Leipzig, P. Reclam [1883], vol. i, p. 142. Translated into Italian by Caterino Frattini, in his "Per le faustissime nozze Melati-Nicoletti," Este, G. Longo, 1867, p. 9;—by Ettore Marcucci in his "Versi," Firenze, G. Barbèra, 1880, p. 241 (CUL).

1846.

[Brown, Samuel Gilman.] Dante. (In the North American review. April, 1846. vol. lxii, pp. 323-350.)

Printed as a review of the edition of Cary published in the previous year by D. Appleton. Reprinted, without the reference to the American edition, and with one or two other editorial changes, in "Characteristics of men of genius; a series of biographical, historical, and critical essays, selected chiefly from the North American review." Boston, Otis, Broaders & Co.; London, etc. 1847. 2 v. This collection was printed in England, and the editor, John Chapman, added J. E. Taylor's translations of poems on Dante by Michael Angelo and Ludwig Uhland.

Dante. (In the Southern literary messenger. Sept. 1846. vol. xii, pp. 545-552.)

BA; PHS.

A general article, with an excursus upon Dante's place in modern literature, a review of Cary's translation, and a very free original rendering of the Ugolino episode.

Schaf[f], Philip. Dante; an address on the Divina commedia delivered before the Goethean literary society of Marshall college at its anniversary, Aug. 28, 1846. Translated [from the German] for the occasion by JEREMIAH H. GOOD. (In Marshall college: Goethean literary society. The Goethean hall, or the anniversary of Goethe's birthday in Mercersburg (Pa.). Chambersburg (Pa.). 1846. 8°. pp. 19-47.)

"Written at a time when the author knew more Italian, but less English than afterwards." — Schaff's "Literature and poetry," 1890, p. 335.

1847.

Story of Ugolino. [Translated by Philip Pendleton Cooke.] (In Cooke, P. P. Froissart ballads and other poems. Philadelphia, Carey & Hart. 1847. 12°. pp. 210–216.)

A free translation of Inf. xxxiii. 1-90 into rhymed verse.

[Wheaton, Robert.] The sources of the Divina commedia. (In the North American review. Jan. 1847. vol. lxiv, pp. 97-117.)

Reprinted in "Memoir of Robert Wheaton, with selections from his writings." Boston, Ticknor, Reed & Fields. 1854. sm. 8°. pp. 127-157.

1848.

- Haskins, James. To Dante; [sonnet]. (In his Poetical works. Hartford, H. S. Parsons. 1848. 12°. p. 290.)
- Lowell, James Russell. On a portrait of Dante by Giotto. (In his Poems: second series. Cambridge, George Nichols. 1848. 16°. pp. 142-144.)

Reprinted in the later editions.

S[chaff], P[hilip]. The life and genius of Dante Alighieri, with an account of the Divina commedia. (In the American review, a Whig journal. Aug. 1848. vol. viii, pp. 125–141.)

1849.

Dante's Divine comedy: the Inferno. A literal prose translation with the text of the original collated from the best editions, and explanatory notes. By John A. Carlyle. New York, *Harper & Bros.* 1849. 12°. pp. xxxiv + [11]-375. *Port*.

The portrait of Dante, after Raphael Morghen, engraved by J. Halpin.

The above is a reprint of the first English edition, 1849. This is the earliest American imprint of any considerable portion of Dante in the original. It was reissued in 1855, 1864, and later, n.d., without any change except in the date on the title-page.

1850.

Byron, George Gordon Noel Byron, 6th baron. La profecía del Dante. . . . Traducido del Frances por A. M. Vizcayno, etc. , México. 1850. 8°.

Title taken from the BM catalogue.

Everett, Edward. Santa Croce; [poem]. (In the Boston book. Boston, Ticknor, Reed & Fields. 1850. 12°. pp. 106-109.)

The third stanza is on Dante's cenotaph.

Junkin, Miss Margaret (afterwards Mrs. Preston). Dante in exile; [poem]. (In the Southern literary messenger. Nov. 1850. vol. xvi, p. 691.)

BA; PHS.

Schelling, Friedrich Wilhelm Joseph von. Dante's Divina commedia. From the German, by H. W. Longfellow. (In Graham's magazine. June, 1850. vol. xxxvi, pp. 351-354.)

Reprinted in "Drift-wood; a collection of essays" in Longfellow's "Prose works," 1857 (which see), and in his translation of the Divine comedy, 1867, vol. ii, pp. 403-410, and later editions.

Longfellow makes several references to this essay in his "Journal." April 18, 1846: "Translating Schelling's paper on 'Dante in a philosophical point of view'; deep, — obscure, rather. To the student of Dante, interesting, though throwing much 'darkness visible' upon the subject to minds not philosophic."—April 28, 1846: "Read to the class [in Dante] Schelling's essay. It must have been darkness deep to them."—Nov. 18, 1849: "In the evening read over Schelling's essay on Dante, which is like a dark cave with some gleaming stalactites hanging from the roof."

Wilde, Richard Henry, and Dante. (In the International monthly magazine. Aug. 1850. vol. i, pp. 2-4.)

Concerning Wilde's part in the discovery of the Bargello fresco, in 1840. Reprints G. A. Bezzi's letter to the London *Spectator*, May 25, 1850; cited in the body of the present work, pp. 34-35.

1851.

Ball, Benja.nin West. The lay of the condemned spirit in Dante. (In his Elfin land, and other poems. Boston and Cambridge, James Munroe & Co. 1851. 16°. p. 50.)

1852.

[Hyde, A. B.] Dante. (In the Methodist quarterly review. Jan. 1852. 4th series, vol. iv, pp. 49-66.)

1853.

Francesca da Rimini; episode from Dante. [Inf. v.] [Translated by WILLIAM GILMORE SIMMS.] (In Simms, W. G. Poems; descriptive, dramatic, legendary, and contemplative. New York, Redfield. 1853. 12°. vol. ii, pp. 356-360.)

In terza rima. I am informed that this translation had previously appeared in Godey's Lady book, but lack the exact reference.

Hillard, George Stillman. Giotto's portrait of Dante. (In his Six months in Italy. Boston, Ticknor, Reed & Fields. 1853. 12°. vol. i, pp. 144-145.)

An account of its discovery; speaks of R. H. Wilde as having been conspicuous in the undertaking. The above was reissued in 1854, 1856, and a new edition in 1881.

Uhland, (Johann) Ludwig. Dante; [poem]. From the German [by] F. (In the Monthly religious magazine. April, 1853. vol. x, pp.182-184.)

With a note stating that "this poem of Uhland has become somewhat familiar since Mr. Scherb quoted it in one of his lectures."

1854.

Paraphrase of a passage in Dante. [Par. xxi. 106-135.] [By Thomas WILLIAM PARSONS.] (In Parsons, T. W. Poems. Boston, Ticknor & Fields. 1854. 16°. pp. 50-54.)

With notes and the Italian original. Reprinted in Parsons' "Poems," 1893, pp. 233-237, where only the prefatory note is given. In HCL (call-number, Dn 46. 1. 4) is a clipping from the Boston daily advertiser, date missing, which contains this "Paraphrase." As printed there, probably for the first time, since it is headed "For the Boston daily advertiser," it contains six additional lines. Besides this curtailment the paraphrase underwent other changes before appearing in the "Poems" of 1854. The clipping is signed "L," and the Harvard Dante Catalogue, p. 142, has erroneously attributed it to Longfellow.

Locke, Mrs. Jane Ermina STARKWEATHER. Dante. (In her The recalled: in voices of the past and poems of the ideal. Boston and Cambridge, James Munroe & Co. 1854. sm. 8°. pp. 76-77.)

On "an original statue in marble included in the private collection of sculpture and paintings of C. C. Perkins."

Parsons, Thomas William. Francesca da Rimini, a picture by Ary Scheffer. (In his Poems. Boston, Ticknor & Fields. 1854. 16°. pp. 182–183.)

Reprinted in his "The old house at Sudbury," 1870, pp. 46-47, and in his "Poems," 1893, pp. 240-241.

1855.

Boker, George Henry. Dramatic fragment. [From the then unpublished tragedy of "Francesca da Rimini."] (In the Knickerbocker gallery. New York, Samuel Hueston. 1855. 8°. pp. 59-61.)

The fragment here published gives the episode of the reading of Lancelot's tale. The entire drama was published in 1856.

Dante, (The) and Beatrice of Ary Scheffer. (In the Crayon. Oct. 24, 1855. vol. ii, p. 262.)

Divine, (The) comedy. (In the National magazine. July, 1855. vol. vii, pp. 28-30.)

With a woodcut of the Giotto portrait.

1856.

Boker, George Henry. Francesca da Rimini; a tragedy. (In his Plays and poems. Boston, Ticknor & Fields. 1856. 12°. vol. i, pp. 347-474.)

Later imprints, from the same plates, Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & Co. Noticed [by William Sargent] in the North American review, Jan. 1857, vol. lxxxiv, pp. 268-269. Epitomised by extracts in J. W. S. Hows' "Golden leaves from the British and American dramatic poets," New York, Bunce & Huntington, 1865, pp. 549-562.

See an article on Boker by R. H. Stoddard in Lippincott's magazine, June, 1890, vol. xlv, pp. 864–866, in which there is published a letter from the former to the latter, written at the time the play was in process of writing. The play was first brought out by E. L. Davenport at the Broadway Theatre, New York, Sept. 26, 1865. On Sept. 11, 1882, it was revived by Lawrence Barrett at the Chestnut Street Theatre, Philadelphia, and met with remarkable success. It is claimed that Barrett cleared over \$90,000 from the play during the first season of his presenting it,—a proof that legitimate drama in America need not want for encouragement when entrusted to capable actors. After the death of Barrett, "Francesca da Rimini" was taken up by Frederick Warde and Louis James, in the season of 1892–93, and was well received by the public. See under date of Dec. 12, 1893, the Boston daily herald;—the Boston evening transcript;—Henry A. Clapp in the Boston daily advertiser;—George T. Richardson in the Boston daily traveller. See also the Critic, Feb. 2, 1884, vol. iv, p. 57.

William Winter, in the third volume of his "Shadows of the stage," 1895, pp. 186-198, has an account of "Lawrence Barrett as Lanciotto," with a good critical résumé of the drama. Sarony, the New York photographer, publishes a photograph of Barrett in this rôle.

Dante. (In the Methodist quarterly review. July, 1856. 4th series, vol. viii, pp. 381-403.)

A review of Fauriel's Dante.

1857.

Dante's Hell. Cantos i to x. A literal metrical translation, with notes. By J. C. Peabody. Boston, Ticknor & Fields. 1857. 16°. pp. xci.

A "line-for-line literal translation" in blank-verse. The first canto is also rendered in terza rima. The preface is dated from Newburyport, Mass.

Reviewed [by C. E. Norton] in the Atlantic monthly, Jan. 1858, vol. i, pp. 382-383.

- Geibel, Emanuel. Dante. [From the German by WILLIAM W. CALD-WELL.] (In Caldwell, W. W. Poems, original and translated. Boston, etc., James Munroe & Co. 1857. 12°. pp. 190-191.)
- [Howe, Mrs. Julia Ward.] Dante; [poem]. (In her Words for the hour. Boston, Ticknor & Fields. 1857. 16°. pp. 148-149.)
- Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth. Dante Alighieri. The Divina commedia.

 (In his Prose works: Drift-wood; a collection of essays. Boston,

 Ticknor & Fields. 1857. 16°. vol. i, pp. 419-449.)

In the "Blue and gold" series. Reissued in 1866.

The first is probably the substance of a lecture on Dante, given either at Harvard, or one of the two on the subject given in New York in the Mercantile Library course. The second is the translation from Schelling, first published in 1850. Neither are included in the later and revised editions of "Drift-wood."

"In 1852 Mr. Longfellow projected a volume to contain his scattered prose papers, contributed to magazines and reviews. He proposed to call the book 'Drift-wood,' and went so far as to have some of it set up. He abandoned the project, however, and renewed it in part only when, in 1857, his prose works were published in the Blue and Gold edition. In that collection he had a division entitled 'Drift-wood,' which differed from that which he finally sanctioned by not including 'Ancient French Romances,' and by including papers on 'Dante' and the 'Divina Commedia.'"—Note to the edition of 1886.

1858.

A canzone of Dante's. [Translated by Charles Timothy Brooks.] (In the Crayon. Feb. 1858. vol. v, p. 39.)

"I think I have succeeded in retaining the remarkable uncertainty which Dante lets hang over the transition from the spiritual person of his mistress to that Divine Philosophy, that Supreme Wisdom, of which he regards her as the incarnation, as represented at length, and very curiously, in the fifteen chapters of the Trattato." — C. T. B.

The canzone is the second in the Convito. Reprinted in Brooks' "Poems, original and translated, with a memoir by C. W. Wendté; selected and edited by W. P. Andrews." Boston, *Roberts Bros.* 1885. 16°. pp. 190-193.

[Scherb, Emmanuel Vitalis.] Dante's Beatrice as a type of womanhood. (In the Christian examiner. Jan. 1858. vol. lxiv, pp. 39–56.)

The author, a German by birth, spent a number of years in this country. Longfellow met him in 1848, and an intimacy soon sprang up between the two poets. In November, 1849, Scherb was Longfellow's guest for a day, and the

latter records their "talking of Dante and poets and poetry." A few weeks later Longfellow attended Scherb's lecture on "Dante and the worship of the Virgin." "He injured the effect of his lecture," says Longfellow, "by just overstepping the bounds of reasonable, temperate warmth, into the tropics of rather a wild growth of enthusiasm."

1859.

Count Ugoline; from the Divina commedia of Dante. [Translated by RICHARD FURMAN.] (In Furman, R. The pleasures of piety, and other poems. Charleston (S.C.), S. G. Courtenay & Co. 1859. 12.° pp. 178-184.)

A very free rendering of Inf. xxxiii into rhymed verse.

Kemble, Frances Anne (at one time Mrs. BUTLER). On the picture of Paolo and Francesca. (In her Poems. Boston, Ticknor & Fields. 1859. 16°. p. 56.)

Written during the author's residence in America. The theme is Scheffer's famous painting. Reprinted in the English edition of the "Poems," London, 1866.

- [Lowe, Mrs. Martha A. Perry. Scheffer's picture of Dante and Beatrice. (In her The olive and the pine. Boston, Crosby, Nichols & Co. 1859. 16°. pp. 153-154.)
 - *** The original of this picture, so well known through the many engravings which have been made of it, belonged to Mr. Charles C. Perkins. Notices of the painting will be found in *Putnam's magazine*, Oct., Nov., 1855, vol. vi, pp. 332, 448; see also "The Dante and Beatrice of Ary Scheffer," 1855.
- Lowell, James Russell. Dante. (In Appleton's New American cyclopædia. New York, D. Appleton & Co. 1859. vol. vi, pp. 247-258.)

A biographical sketch. Reprinted in the second edition of the above, known as the "American cyclopædia," 1874; and in the "Fifth annual report of the Dante Society," 1886, pp. 15-38. It is quoted in the notes to Longfellow's translation, 1867, vol. i, pp. 356-359, and later editions, under the title of "The posthumous Dante." Lowell's MS. has recently been presented to the HCL.

Translated into Russian by N. Golovanov in the notes to his translation of the Inferno, Moscow, 1896.

- [Norton, Charles Eliot.] The New life of Dante. (In the Atlantic monthly. Jan., Feb., Mar., 1859. vol. iii, pp. 62-69, 202-212, 330-339.)

 An essay, with translations.
- The New life of Dante. An essay, with translations. Cambridge, Riverside Press. [Privately printed.] 1859. sq. 8°. pp. (4)+109.

Appendix: — Date of the composition of the Vita nuova. — Structure of the Vita nuova. — Inconsistency of statements in the Convito with those of the Vita nuova. — Translation of Guido Cavalcanti's canzone, "Donna mi priega," by Charles T. Brooks.

See also [Ware, L. G.] New translations of the Vita nuova. 1862. The completed translation was published in 1867.

- [Osgood, Samuel.] Dante from the modern point of view. (In the Knickerbocker. 1859. vol. liii, pp. 340-348, 505-514.)
- Ossoli, Sarah Margaret Fuller, marchesa d'. Cary's Dante. (In her Life without and life within; or, Reviews, narratives, essays, and poems; edited by her brother, Arthur B. Fuller. Boston, Brown, Taggard & Chase. 1859. 12°. pp. 102–107.)

Reissued in 1895.

1860.

- Dante. (In the National quarterly review. 1860. vol. i, pp. 1-30.)
- Norton, Charles Eliot. Rome in the time of Dante. (In his Notes of travel and study in Italy. Boston, Ticknor & Fields. 1860. 16°. pp. 246-267.)
- [——] Le prime quattro edizioni della Divina commedia letteralmente ristampate per cura di G. G. Warren, Lord Vernon, London, 1858; [a review]. (In the Atlantic monthly. May, 1860. vol. v, pp. 622–629.)
- Smith, Mrs. E. Vale. Comparative analysis of Dante and Milton. I-VI. (In the Crayon. June-Oct. 1860. vol. vii, pp. 156-159, 188-196, 216-222, 252-257, 281-287.)

Ends with a very feeble paraphrase of Michael Angelo's sonnet on Dante.

Tuckerman, Frederick Goddard. Paulo to Francesca. (In his Poems. Boston. 1860. sm. 8°. pp. 171-173.)

Reprinted in his "Poems," Boston, Ticknor & Fields. 1864. 16°. pp. 158-160.

1861.

Bernardi, Jacopo. La Divina commedia interpretata [per] la prima volta da Lorenzo da Ponte agli americani. (In Rivista contemporanea. Maggio, 1861. vol. xxv, pp. 295–299.)

- [Norton, Charles Eliot.] Benvenuto Rambaldi da Imola illustrato nella vita e nelle opere, e di lui Comento latino sulla Divina commedia di Dante Alighieri voltato in italiano dall' avocato Giovanni Tamburini, Imola, 1855-56; [a review]. (In the Atlantic monthly. May, 1861. vol. vii, pp. 629-637.)
- —— Same. A review of a translation into Italian of the commentary by Benvenuto da Imola on the Divina commedia. Cambridge, Riverside Press. 1861. sq. 8°. pp. 32.

50 copies. "It is reprinted for the use of a few students who are not likely to meet with it in its original form, and whom it may save from waste of time on a worthless book."

Stoddard, Richard Henry. Dante Alighieri. — Beatrice. (In his Loves and heroines of the poets. New York, Derby & Jackson. 1861. 8°. pp. 1-9.)

1862.

- McCabe, William Gordon. Dante Alighieri. (In the Southern literary messenger. Feb.-Mar. 1862. vol. xxxvi, pp. 136-148.) BA; PHS.
- [Ware, Loammi Goodenow.] New translations of the Vita nuova. (In the Christian examiner. Nov. 1862. vol. lxxiii, pp. 363-381.)

A review of Rossetti's and Martin's translations, and of Norton's essay, with translations, of 1859.

1863.

- Doré, Gustave. Dante album. Inferno; [ten] photographs of illustrations. Philadelphia, F. Leypoldt. 1863. 4°. Portfolio. 11 leaves. HCL. Enlarged in 1865.
- Ticknor, George. Life of William Hickling Prescott. Boston, Ticknor & Fields. 1863. sm. 8°. pp. xii + 458.

pp. 61-64, a letter from Prescott to Ticknor, dated 1823, concerned with Dante and Cary's translation. See the Appendix to the body of the present work.

1864.

Three cantos [xxiii-xxv] of Dante's "Paradiso." [Translated by HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW.] (In the Atlantic monthly. Jan. 1864. vol. xiii, pp. 47-55.)

With marginal notes. These cantos underwent some changes before going into the finished work of 1867.

- Bernardi, Jacopo. Lorenzo Da-Ponte di Ceneda spiega Dante Allighieri agli americani. (In Giornale del centenario. 1864. no. 38, pp. 306-307.)
- Ferguson, J. Dante and John Bunyan. (In the American quarterly church review and ecclesiastical register. Oct. 1864. vol. xvi, pp. 337-354.)
- Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth. On translating the Divina commedia; [sonnet]. (In the Atlantic monthly. Dec. 1864. vol. xiv, p. 688.)

 The first of the six sonnets on this theme. See 1866, 1867.

1865.

The Divine comedy of Dante Alighieri. Translated by HENRY WADSworth Longfellow. vol. i. [Inferno.] Boston, *Ticknor & Fields*. [Privately printed.] 1865. 4°. pp. (2) + 216.

10 copies printed, of which five were sent to Italy. "In commemorazione del secentesimo anniversario della nascita di Dante Alighieri." Copy in possession of Mr. Norton dated Feb. 27, 1865, Longfellow's birthday.

T. W. PARSONS.] Boston, John Wilson & Son. [Privately printed.] 1865. 4°. pp. viii + 104 + [ix] - xi.

Dedicated to the Duke of Sermoneta to whom a letter, pp. vii-viii, is addressed; pp. ix-xi, "Lines on a bust of Dante." The notes of 1843 are omitted and the translation revised. "An humble tribute from New England to the coming celebration, in Florence, of the six-hundredth birthday of Dante."

Noticed in the *Monthly religious magazine*, Nov. 1865, vol. xxxiv, p. 318. See also [Norton, C. E.] Dante and his latest English translators. 1866.

Botta, Vincenzo. Dante as philosopher, patriot, and poet; with an analysis of the Divina commedia, its plot and episodes. New York, *Charles Scribner & Co.* 1865. 12°. pp. x + 413.

On the leaf following the title-page are the following words: "All' Italia, che nella commemorazione del sesto centenario dalla nascita di Dante Alighieri celebra il proprio rinascimento alla vita di nazione, l'autore partecipando alla quest' opera in umila tributo di devozione. New York, il maggio del 1865."

Reissued in 1867 without other change than the date on the title-page, and in 1887 under the title of "Introduction to the study of Dante," some copies being bound up with the imprint of "London, John Slark, 1887."

Reviewed in the Giornale del centenario, 10 sett. 1865, p. 408;—in the Athenæum, Oct. 28, 1865, pp. 573-574;—in the Christian examiner, Nov. 1865, vol. lxxix, pp. 429-431;—in the American Presbyterian and theological review, 1865, new series, vol. iii, p. 645;—in the Boston review, Jan. 1866, vol. vi, pp. 138-139. The edition of 1887 was reviewed in the Saturday review, April 23, 1887, vol. lxiii, pp. 594-595.

See also [Alger, W. R.] The character of Dante. 1866.

[Tuckerman, H. T.] Dante in 1865. 1865.

Dante's Divina commedia. (In the Catholic world, 1865. vol. i, pp. 268-279.)

Translated from Der Katholik.

Doré, Gustave. Dante album. Seventy-six photographs from select illustrations. Philadelphia, F. Leypoldt. 1865. 4°. Portfolio.

Title taken from James Kelly's "American catalogue."

Norton, Charles Eliot. On the original portraits of Dante. Cambridge, University Press. 1865. 4°. pp. 18. Portrs.

50 copies. "In onore della festa per il sesto centenario di Dante in Firenze maggio 1865."

With four photographs, one of the Arundel society's chromo-lithograph of Giotto's portrait from Kirkup's facsimile of it in the possession of Lord Vernon, and three of a cast from the mask of Dante belonging to Mr. Kirkup.

The text is reprinted in full in Longfellow's translation of the Divine comedy, 1867, i, pp. 347-353 (and in later editions), and a large part of it is given in Clarke, S. F. The portraits of Dante. 1884.

Translated into Japanese by T. Funahashi, in the Aoyama review, Dec. 30, 1893, pp. 17-24. (Inserted in the HCL copy is a letter from the translator to the author.) Translated into Russian by N. Golovanov in the notes to his translation of the Inferno, Moscow, 1896.

Pellico, Silvio. Francesca da Rimini. Boston, De Vries, Ibarra e Com. (cop. 1865.) sm. 8°. pp. 62.

[Tuckerman, Henry Theodore.] Dante in 1865. (In the Nation. Oct. 5, 1865. vol. i, pp. 440-442.)

Speaks of the Sixth Centenary and reviews Botta's "Dante as philosopher, patriot, and poet," 1865.

- The Divine comedy of Dante Alighieri. Translated by HENRY WADS-WORTH LONGFELLOW. vol. ii. [Purgatorio.] Boston, *Ticknor & Fields*. [Privately printed.] 1866. 4°. pp. (2) + 219.
 - 10 copies. Copy in possession of Mr. Norton dated April 1, 1866.
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- Hitchcock, Ethan Allen. Notes on the Vita nuova and minor poems of Dante, together with the New life [translated by D. G. Rossetti], and many of the poems [translated by D. G. Rossetti and C. Lyell]. New York, James Miller. 1866. 16°. pp. 371.
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Continuing on the theme of the sonnet of 1864. Though here entitled the second, third, and fourth sonnets, the above are respectively the third, fifth, and second of the completed series of six sonnets as printed in 1867 (which see).

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Includes the three above-mentioned sonnets, the one of 1864, and a new sonnet here numbered the fifth, but afterwards printed as the sixth of the completed series.

- Motive, (The) of Dante's vision. (In the Ave Maria. Jan. 13, 1866. vol. ii, p. 21.)
- [Norton, Charles Eliot.] Dante and his latest English translators. (In the North American review. April, 1866. vol. cii, pp. 509-529.)

A review of the translations by Dayman, Ford, Parsons, and W. M. Rossetti.

1867.

La Divina commedia di Dante Alighieri; testo comune colle variazione dei codici publicati da CARLO WITTE. Prima edizione americana arricchita del ritratto di Dante per Gustavo Doré. Boston, *De Vries, Ibarra e C.*, etc. 1867. 8°. pp. vii + 545.

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Reviewed in the Athenaum, May 18, 1867, pp. 655-656, June 29, 1867, pp. 845-846, Aug. 10, 1867, pp. 171-172; - [by G. W. Curtis] in Harper's monthly magazine, July, 1867, vol. xxxv, pp. 257-258; - in the Saturday review, July 6, 1867, vol. xxiv, pp. 27-28; — in the Spectator, Aug. 31, 1867, vol. xl, pp. 081-082; - [by J. H. Allen] in the Christian examiner, Sept. 1867, vol. lxxxiii, pp. 261-263; — in Biblioteca sacra, Jan. 1868, vol. xxv, pp. 205-206; — by A. J. Altenhoefer in the Jahrbuch der deutschen Dante-Gesellschaft, 1869, Bd. ii, pp. 355-362; — in the Quarterly review, Apr. 1869, vol. cxxvi, pp. 413-447; — in Hours at home, 1875, vol. v, pp. 289-295; - [by C. L. Speranza] in the Literary world, Feb. 26, 1881, vol. xii, pp. 80-81. Also in the following newspapers, cuttings from which are preserved in a scrap-book in HCL (Dn. 580.6); - [by E. J. Cutler] in the Boston daily advertiser, May 4, 1867; - [by John Fiske] in the New York world, May 31, June 22, July 29, 1867 (reprinted in his "Unseen world and other essays," ,1876); - [by T. W. Hunter] in the Philadelphia press, July 24, 1867 (answered by C. E. Norton in his article on "Mr. Longfellow and his critics," 1867); - in the London Chronicle, July 27, 1867; - in the New York weekly evening post, August -, 1867; - [by J. H. A. Bone] in the Cleveland herald, July 8, 1867. Mr. Bone also published, presumably in the Cleveland herald, an exceptionally interesting account of a meeting of the "Dante Club"; this is given entire in George Lowell Austin's "Longfellow; his life, his works, his friends," Boston, Lee & Shepard, 1883, pp. 352-361, and, in part, in Samuel Longfellow's "Life of H. W. Longfellow," Boston, Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 1891, vol. iii, pp. 381-386.

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The first canticle, Inferno, of the Divine comedy of Dante Alighieri.

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[Norton, C. E.] Dr. Parsons' translation of the Inferno of Dante. 1867.

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- [Howells, Willam Dean.] Mr. Longfellow's translation of the Divine comedy. (In the Nation. June 20, 1867. vol. iv, pp. 492-494.)
- [Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth.] [On translating the Divina commedia; six sonnets.] (In Dante. The Divine comedy, translated by H. W. Longfellow. 1867. vol. i, pp. (1-2); vol. ii, pp. (1-2); vol. iii, pp. (1-2).)

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- [——] Mr. Longfellow and his critics. (In the Nation. Sept. 19, 1867. vol. v, pp. 226-228.)
- [——] Mr. Longfellow's translation of the Divine comedy. (In the Nation. May 9, 1867. vol. iv, pp. 369-370.)
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1868.

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Reviews "The first canticle of the Divine comedy, translated by T. W. Parsons," 1867.

^{***} A review of the first volume of the "Jahrbuch der deutschen Dante-Gesellschaft" appeared in the *American athenæum* (N. Y.), May 9, 1868, vol. i, pp. 324-325.

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Bryant, William Cullen. Dante; [poem]. (In the Atlantic monthly. Jan. 1869. vol. xxiii, p. 81.)

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Translated into Italian prose by S. Frenfanelli Cibo in his "Guglielmo Bryant." Roma, Forzani. 1882. 16°. pp. 106-107. CUL.

1870.

An Easter lesson. [Par. v. 73-80.] [Translated by THOMAS WILLIAM PARSONS.] (In Parsons, T. W. The old house at Sudbury. Cambridge, John Wilson & Son. [Privately printed.] 1870. 12°. p. 100.

Reprinted in Parsons' "The shadow of the obelisk and other poems," London, *Hatchards*, 1872, and, under the title of "A lesson for Lent," in his "Circum præcordia," Boston, *J. G. Cupples* [1892], p. 82.

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1871.

- Geibel, Emanuel. Dante; [translated by Mrs. LUCY HAMILTON JONES HOOPER]. (In Hooper, L. H. J. Poems. Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & Co. 1871. 12°. pp. 164-165.)
- Hugo, Victor (Marie). Lines written in a copy of the Divina commedia; [translated by Mrs. Lucy Hamilton Jones Hooper]. (In Hooper, L. H. J. Poems. Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & Co. 1871. 12°. p. 184.)

- Dante's Purgatorio. Canto second. [Translated by T. W. PARSONS.] (In the Catholic world. Jan. 1872. vol. xiv, pp. 503-506.)
- —— Same. Canto third. (In the Catholic world. Sept. 1872. vol. xv, pp. 730-733.)
- Same. Canto fifth. (In the Catholic world. Dec. 1872. vol. xvi, pp. 319-322.)
- Benson, Eugene. Dante and Shakespeare. (In Appleton's journal. April 27, 1872. vol. vii, pp. 468–469.)
- [Dennett, John Richard.] Miss M. F. Rossetti's "Shadow of Dante." (In the Nation. July 11, 1872. vol. xv, pp. 28-29.)
- [Lowell, James Russell.] The shadow of Dante, being an essay towards studying himself, his world, and his pilgrimage, by Maria Francesca Rossetti, Boston, 1872; [a review]. (In the North American review. July, 1872. vol. cxv, pp. 139–209.)

Contains, p. 178, a translation of the sonnet from the Vita nuova, "Oltre la spera, che più larga gira," "in which," says Lowell, "the meaning is preserved so far as is possible where the grace is left out." This translation is reprinted in S. Waddington's "The sonnets of Europe," London, Walter Scott, 1886, p. 19.

"Hard at work all the while upon an article about Dante, with Miss Rossetti's book for a text. I have not made so much of it as I should if my time had been less broken. As it was, I had to keep the press going from day to day."—Lowell's "Letters," ii, p. 80. "The article on Dante was written in all the distraction of getting away [to Europe], with the thermometer at 95°, and keeping abreast of the printers, so that I could not arrange and revise properly."—Same, p. 84.

Reade, John. Paolo and Francesca; [poem]. (In the Canadian monthly. Jan. 1872. vol. i, pp. 62-63.)

1873.

Dante's Purgatorio. Canto fourth. [Translated by T. W. PARSONS.] (In the Catholic world. Dec. 1873. vol. xviii, pp. 299–302.)

With a note on Dante's cosmogony, comparing it with that of Columbus.

—— Same. Canto sixth. (In the Catholic world. Feb. 1873. vol. xvi, pp. 581-584.)

- Same. Canto seventh. (In the Catholic world. April, 1873. vol. xvii, pp. 24-27.)
 - See also Barlow, H. C. Parsons' Purgatory. 1873.
- Same. Canto eighth. (In the Catholic world. May, 1873. vol. xvii, pp. 158-161.)
- —— Same. Canto ninth. (In the Catholic world. June, 1873. vol. xvii, pp. 304-307.)
- Same. Canto eleventh. (In the Catholic world. Nov. 1873. vol. xviii, pp. 166–170.)
- Barlow, Henry Clark. Parsons' Purgatory. (In the Athenæum. June 14, 1873. pp. 760-761.)
 - On the translation of "Indico legno lucido e sereno," Purg. vii. 74, by "India's rich wood, heaven's lucid blue serene." (Catholic world, April, 1873.)
- Séguier, Ulysse François Ange, conte. Épilogue de la Divine comédie: l'enfer, un coin du paradis et incidemment une ame du purgatoire. Mexico, Diaz de Leon et White. 1873. sm. 8°. pp. 186 + (3). Frontisp. CUL.
- Vinton, Frederic. St. Patrick's Purgatory and the Inferno of Dante. (In Biblioteca sacra. April, 1873. vol. xxx, pp. 275-286.)

- Dante's Purgatorio. Canto twelfth. [Translated by T. W. PARSONS.] (In the Catholic world. Feb. 1874. vol. xviii, pp. 587-590.)
- —— Same. Canto fourteenth. (In the Catholic world. July, 1874. vol. xix, pp. 450-453.)
- Dante praises Beatrice. [Sonnet, "Negli occhi porta la mia donna amore," from the Vita nuova.] Translated by TITUS MUNSON COAN. (In Lippincott's magazine. Aug. 1874. vol. xiv, p. 191.)
- Coan, Titus Munson. On reading Dante's "New life"; [sonnet]. (In Lippincott's magazine. Oct. 1874. vol. xiv, p. 410.)
- [Capri, Pio Giuseppe.] The Blessed Virgin and the Divina commedia of Dante. [Translated by DAVID MOYES.] (In Ave Maria. Sept. 5, 12, 19, 26; Oct. 17, 24; Nov. 7, 14, 21, 1874. vol. x, pp. 561-564, 577-578, 593-595, 609-612, 657-659, 673-674, 713-715, 733-734, 753-754.)

 Reprinted in 1876.

Rossetti's translations from the early Italian poets. (In the Nation. Mar. 5, 1874. vol. xviii, pp. 159–160.)

1875.

- Beatris. [Vita nuova, canz. iii. 15-28.] [Translated by Thomas William Parsons.] (In Parsons, T. W. The Willey house, and sonnets. Cambridge, John Wilson & Son. [Privately printed.] 1875. 12°. p. 27.)
- Smith, J. A. Dante. (In the Baptist quarterly. 1875. vol. ix, pp. 322-338.)
- Soldan, Louis Frank. Dante. (In the Western. March, April, 1875. New series, vol. i, pp. 160-179, 243-255.)
- Same, separately printed. St. Louis. [1875.] 8°. pp. 32.

1876.

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- [Caprì, Pio Giuseppe.] The Blessed Virgin and the Divina commedia of Dante. [Translated by DAVID MOYES.] n.p., n. d. [Notre Dame, Ind. 1876.] 8°. pp. 49. (Ave Maria series.) CUL. Inserted in the CUL copy are two autograph letters from the translator.
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 Slightly revised from its original form as a review of 1867.
- Gilder, Richard Watson. Francesca and Paolo; [sonnet]. (In his The new day; a poem in songs and sonnets. New York, Scribner, Armstrong & Co. 1876. 16°. p. 71.)

Reprinted, with a few changes, in the later editions of the above as a separate work and as embodied in his "Five books of songs" and his "Lyrics and other poems."

Lowell, James Russell. Dante. (In his Among my books. 2d series. Boston, J. R. Osgood & Co. 1876. 12°. pp. 1-124.)

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- Schwerdtfeger, Emil. Dante. (In the Cornell review. Feb. 1876. vol. iv, pp. 215-217.)
- Turner, Charles Tennyson. Dante and Beatrice; [sonnet]. (In the International review (New York). 1876. vol. iii, p. 99.)

- Dante's Purgatorio. Canto fifteenth. Translated by T. W. PARSONS. (In the Catholic world. May, 1877. vol. xxv, pp. 171-174.)
- McAllister, F. M. Dante's Inferno. (In the American church review. 1877. vol. xxix, pp. 113-129.)
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1878.

- Dante's Purgatorio. Canto sixteenth. Translated by T. W. PARSONS. (In the Catholic world. May, 1878. vol. xxvii, pp. 272-275.)
- Same. Canto seventeenth. (In the Catholic world. July, 1878. vol. xxvii, pp. 498-501.)
 - Noticed and quoted in the Journal of speculative philosophy, Oct. 1878, vol. xii, pp. 434-435.
- Buonarroti, Michel Angelo. Dante; [sonnet, "Quanto dirne si de' non si può dire"]. [Translated by HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW.]

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H[ardy], A[rthur] S[herbourne]. Francesca of Rimini; a poem. Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & Co. 1878. 8°. pp. 46.

Reviewed in the Literary world, Dec. 1878, vol. ix, pp. 111-112.

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1879.

- Dante's Purgatorio. Canto tenth. Translated by T. W. PARSONS. (In the Catholic world. June, 1879. vol. xxix, pp. 289-292.)
- —— Same. Canto thirteenth. (In the Catholic world. Dec. 1879. vol. xxx, pp. 350-353.)
- Ingleby, C. M., and others. Translations of Dante. (In the Literary world. Feb. 1, Mar. 29, 1879. vol. x, pp. 45-46, 108.)
- Russell, Addison Peale. Library notes. New ed., revised and enlarged, Boston, Houghton, Mifflin & Co. 1879. 12°. pp. (1) + 402.

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1880.

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- —— Same. Canto nineteenth. (In the Catholic world. July, 1880. vol. xxxi, pp. 450-453.)
- —— Same. Canto twentieth. (In the Catholic world. Dec. 1880. vol. xxxii, pp. 420-424.)

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^{***} REVIEWS: — Church's "Dante" in the *Literary world*, Mar. 15, 1879. vol. x, pp. 85-86.

- Dante. (In the American catholic quarterly review. Oct. 1880. vol. v, pp. 715-754.)
- Scotti, Carlo Francesco. Dante: la patria y la familia; estudios. Buenos Aires, M. Biedma. 1880. 16°. pp. 20.

- Dante's Purgatorio. Canto twenty-first. Translated by T. W. PARSONS. (In the Catholic world. Dec. 1881. vol. xxxiv, pp. 416-419.)
- Buonarroti, Michel Angelo. ["Dal ciel discese, e col mortal suo."—
 "Quanto dirne si de' non si può dire." Sonnets on Dante.] [Translated by Mrs. Ednah Dow Littlehale Cheney.] (In Cheney, E. D. L. Gleanings in the field of art. Boston, Lee & Shepard. 1881 (cop. 1880). 8°. pp. 127–128.)

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- Dante Society, Philadelphia. First annual dinner; [menu, with quotations from Dante]. Saturday, May 14, 1881.
- Mead, Edwin Doak. Dante in America. (In the Boston evening transcript. Saturday, May 14, 1881.)
- Muir, Marion (afterwards Mrs. RICHARDSON). Dante Alighieri; [poem]. (In the Ave Maria. Aug. 13, 1881. vol. xvii, p. 657.) CUL.

1882.

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

Prize fund in the hands of the Treasurer			
of Harvard University, May 19, 1896.	\$100	00	
Balance in the hands of the Treasurer of			
the Dante Society, May 19, 1896	320	99	
Received from assessments	369	60	
Received from Ginn & Co. on account of			
the sale of the Society's Reports	9	75	
			\$800.24
			\$800 34
Printing of the Fifteenth Annual Report	\$516	75	
Paid to the Treasurer of Harvard University			
for the purchase of books for the Dante			
Collection	50	00	
Printing of circulars and blanks	25	25	
Stationery, postage, etc	12	55	
Prize fund in the hands of the Treasurer			
of Harvard University, May 18, 1897	100	00	
Balance in the hands of the Treasurer of			
the Dante Society, May 18, 1897	95	79	
			\$800 34
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BY-LAWS.

- 1. This Society shall be called the Dante Society. Its object shall be the encouragement of the study of the Life and Works of Dante.
- 2. Any person desirous to become a member of this Society may do so by signifying his or her wish in writing to the Secretary, and by the payment of an annual fee of five dollars.
- 3. An Annual Meeting for the election of officers shall be held at Cambridge on the third Tuesday of May, of which due notice shall be given to the members by the Secretary.
- 4. Special meetings may be held at any time appointed by vote of the members at the Annual Meeting, or by call from the President and Secretary.
- 5. The officers shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and Treasurer, and a Librarian, who, together with three members thereto chosen, shall form the Council of the Society. All these officers shall be chosen at the Annual Meeting, and their term of service shall be for one year, or until their successors are elected. Vacancies in the Council shall be filled for the remainder of the year by the Council.
- 6. The President, or, in his absence, the Vice-President, or, in the absence of both, any member of the Council, shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Council.
- 7. The Secretary and Treasurer shall keep a record of the meetings of the Society and of the Council, shall collect and receive all dues, and keep accounts of the income and expenditure of the Society, shall give notice of meetings, and shall perform all other duties appropriate to his office.

- 8. The Council shall hold meetings at such times as it may appoint, shall determine on the use to be made of the income of the Society, shall endeavor to promote the special objects of the Society in such ways as may seem most appropriate, and shall make an annual report of their proceedings, including a full statement of accounts, at each Annual Meeting. This report shall be made in print for distribution to the members.
- 9. No officer of the Society shall be competent to contract debts in the name of the Society, and no expenditure shall be made without a vote of the Council.
- 10. A majority of the Council shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 11. Any person distinguished for his interest in the purposes of the Society, or who has rendered it valuable service, may be chosen an Honorary Member at any regular meeting of the Society, and shall be entitled to all its privileges without annual assessment. The number of Honorary Members, however, shall not at any time exceed six.
- 12. The preceding rules may be changed at any time by unanimous vote of the Council.

THE DANTE PRIZE.

IN MEMORIAM CHARLES STERRETT LATHAM.

The prize offered for 1889-90 was awarded to Mr. C. S. LATHAM, of the class of 1884, A. B. Harv. 1888, for a translation of the Letters of Dante with a historical and critical comment. Mr. Latham died on July 21, 1890. He did not live to learn the award of the prize.

In accordance with the desire of his mother, the prize adjudged to him of one hundred dollars is now offered again to be competed for. The competition is open not only to the students in any department of Harvard University, and to Harvard graduates of not more than three years' standing, but also to students and graduates, of similar standing, of any college or university in the United States.

The annual prize of one hundred dollars offered by a member of the Dante Society for the best essay by a student in any department of Harvard University, or by a graduate of not more than three years' standing, on a subject connected with the Life or Works of Dante, is withdrawn for the present, but the offer will be renewed after the award of the Latham Prize.

For the year 1897–98 the subjects proposed are as follows:

- I. The philological value of Dante's observations on the dialects of Italy in the De Vulgari Eloquentia.
 - 2. Dante's obligations to the De Consolatione Philosophiae of Boethius.
- 3. The history of the speculations in regard to the personality of Beatrice from the fourteenth century to the present day.

Essays must be deposited with the Dean of Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass., on or before the *first day of May*, 1898.

For the year 1898-99 the subjects proposed are as follows:

- 1. A translation of the Quaestio de Aqua et Terra, and a discussion of its authenticity.
- 2. The scientific attainments of Dante, measured and illustrated by those of Roger Bacon, as shown in his Opus Majus (ed. Bridges, 1897).
 - 3. A translation into verse of the Canzoni of the Convito.

Essays must be deposited with the Dean of Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass., on or before the *first day of May*, 1899.

Essayists are at liberty to write on any one of the subjects which have been proposed for the nine years during which the Dante Prize has been offered.

On the title-page must be written an assumed name and a statement of the writer's standing, *i.e.*, whether he is a graduate or an undergraduate (and of what college or university); if he is an undergraduate, to what class he belongs, and to what department of the college or university. Under cover with the essay must be sent a sealed letter, containing the true name and address of the writer, and superscribed with his assumed name.

The essays must be written upon letter paper, of good quality, of the quarto size, with a margin of not less than one inch at the top, at the bottom, and on each side, so that they may be bound up without injury to the writing. The sheets on which the essay is written must be securely stitched together.

The judges of the essays are a committee of the Dante Society.

In case the judges decide that no essay submitted to them deserves the full prize, they are at liberty to award one or two prizes of fifty dollars, or to award no prize.

The Dante Society has the privilege of retaining and depositing in the Dante Collection of the Harvard College Library any or all essays offered in competition for the Dante Prize, whether successful or not.

Since its establishment, the Dante Prize has been awarded to the following persons:

HEINRICH CONRAD BIERWIRTH 1887.

For an essay upon the subject: Dante's Obligations to the Schoolmen, especially to Thomas Aquinas.

GEORGE RICE CARPENTER 1888.

For an essay upon the subject: The Interpretation and Reconciliation of the Different Accounts of his Experiences after the Death of Beatrice, given by Dante in the Vita Nuova and the Convito.

CHARLES STERRETT LATHAM 1890.

For an essay upon the subject: A Translation into English of Dante's Letters, with Explanatory and Historical Comments.

KENNETH MCKENZIE 1894.

For an essay upon the subject: The Rise of the Dolce Stil Nuovo.

JEREMIAH DENIS MATTHIAS FORD 1895.

For an essay upon the subject: Dante's Influence upon Spanish Literature during the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Centuries.

ANNUAL REPORT.

IT is pleasant to be able to note that the past year has been an unusually prosperous one for the Society. There has been a substantial addition to the membership, as is shown by the large increase of income from assessments shown by the Treasurer's Report. It is encouraging, furthermore, that the new members are not confined to the immediate vicinity of Cambridge, but are widely scattered over the country. The Society has always regarded itself not as local, but as national, or indeed more than national in its character. We would say, in the words of our poet himself, Nos autem cui mundus est patria, velut piscibus aequor. It is, accordingly, a cause for genuine satisfaction to find that many persons too remote from Cambridge to hope ever to participate directly in the activities of the Society are glad to associate themselves with its efforts to extend the study of the works of Dante. Only a genuine interest of the highest kind leads such persons to become members. The Society exists with the distinct understanding that members

must not expect a direct and material return from their contributions. No one can say that he has got his money's worth, in the ordinary sense of the phrase, from his membership. That this is so is illustrated by the fact that the Society's Annual Report, which is the only visible return most members have from their annual assessment, may be bought by any one for onefifth the amount of the assessment. The only motive, then, upon which the Society can rely for the extension of its activities is the desire of generous minds to further the cause of what is best in literature and in life. Those who feel that it is highly important that Dante should be more than a mere name to the present, and that the serious study of him makes for the perfecting of our generation, and of future generations, may well think that it is profitable to contribute to the maintenance of a Society whose one and only aim is to hold up a standard of sound scholarship in Dante studies, and to aid those who would attain it.

As is generally known to the members of the Society, the money obtained by assessments is used mainly in three ways: (1) for the publication of the Annual Reports, and of such other contributions to the study of Dante as the funds may from time to time make it possible to print; (2) for the increase of the collection of Dante books in the Harvard University Library; (3) for the maintenance of a Dante Prize, to be awarded to the best essay handed in each year by a student in

some American college. In the last matter, the Society has been greatly assisted by the generosity of one of its members, and of the mother of Mr. C. S. Latham, who won the prize for 1889–90. In the first particular, still another member has rendered very important aid. The Dante Collection, too, has been greatly augmented by gifts, so that the expenditures of the Society may be said to have brought a return of several fold. This appears from the following table, due to the kindness of Mr. Frank Carney, of the Harvard University Library, showing the number of volumes in the Collection, in each year from 1885, when it was arranged as it now is, down to the present year, 1897:

1885	(Fe	b.	4)			654	vols.	1891			1314	vols.
1885	(Oc	t.	1)			818	"	1892			1400	66
1886						944	46	1893			1460	66
1887						1010	44	1894	٠	٠	1532	66
1888						1094	66	1895	٠		1636	44
1889				٠	٠	1164	66	1896			1707	46
1890						1241	66	1897			2064	66

This considerable collection of books about Dante is available for all members of the Society, wherever they may be, upon application made through the Secretary. The bibliographies appended to the Annual Reports afford an easy means of ascertaining what additions are made to the Collection from year to year.

The contributions printed in the Report this year are: (1) a collation by Mr. Paget Toynbee of the

text of the *De Vulgari Eloquentia*, as established and published for the Italian Società Dantesca by Professor Pio Rajna, with the Oxford text of Dr. Edward Moore; (2) a bibliography of the additions to the Dante Collection in the Harvard University Library for the two years 1895–1897, prepared by Mr. Theodore W. Koch. As was explained in the Report for 1896, the bibliography for 1895–96 was crowded out of that Report by the extent of Mr. Koch's paper on Dante in America. It is hoped that it may not prove less useful when combined with the bibliography for 1896–97. Mr. Toynbee's careful collation of the two best texts of the *De Vulgari Eloquentia* will certainly prove very valuable to members of the Society and to all serious students of Dante.

The Society has to express once more its gratitude to authors and other well-wishers who are constantly helping its work by contributing books and articles to the Dante Collection.

ARTHUR RICHMOND MARSH, Secretary.

For the Council of the Dante Society.

PROFESSOR RAJNA'S CRITICAL TEXT OF THE DE VULGARI ELOQUENTIA.

The publication of Professor Pio Rajna's critical edition of Dante's De Vulgari Eloquentia, which he has prepared for the Società Dantesca Italiana, is an event of great interest and importance to all who are engaged in the serious study of Dante. As the book is only issued in a limited edition, and is in consequence not very easily accessible to the generality of Dante students, and as the annual Reports of the Dante Society are now commanding a steadily increasing circulation on both sides of the Atlantic, it was thought that those interested in the subject might be glad to have, in the form of a supplementary paper to the Report for 1897, a detailed collation of the text of the Florentine (1896) edition, with that of the Oxford (1894) edition (as representing the latest critical text previous to that of Professor Rajna).

From this collation, which is printed below, it will be seen that the emendations and restorations introduced by Professor Rajna amount to several hundreds, and there can be little doubt that the large majority of them will be accepted as final by Dante critics.

Before proceeding further, we may state that only three manuscripts of the *De Vulgari Eloquentia* are known to be in existence; of these, one (indicated by Professor Rajna as G) is in the town library at Grenoble; the second (T) is at Milan, in the library of the Marchese Trivulzio; while the third (v) is in the Vatican library at Rome. This last (v), which was executed, probably at Rome in the early years of the sixteenth century, for Cardinal Bembo (in whose handwriting are many of the marginal notes), is practically of no independent value, being, if not an actual copy of T, at any rate derived from it. The chief value of v consists in the fact that it

¹ Il trattato De Vulgari Eloquentia, per cura di Pio Rajna: Firenze, Successori Le Monnier, 1896.

² A certain number of copies remained over after the members of the Italian Dante Society had been supplied; intending purchasers may apply to the publishers direct or through a foreign bookseller. In compliance with a suggestion made by the present writer, Professor Rajna has undertaken to print a small edition consisting of the text alone. (Note, Since this paper was printed the promised edizione minore has been published.—See Appendix.)

occasionally gives the clue to the primitive reading of T, where this has been subsequently altered or obscured. G, which has recently been reproduced in phototype by MM. Maignien and Prompt, was executed probably in the north of Italy at the end of the fourteenth or beginning of the fifteenth century. This manuscript formed the base of Corbinelli's edition of 1577 (Paris), the *editio princeps* of the Latin text, and many of the illustrative and critical glosses on the margins of it are undoubtedly due to Corbinelli, as Professor Rajna has conclusively proved.

T appears to have been executed in Italy in the same district as G (the valley of the Po), and is a little earlier than it in date, belonging almost certainly to the latter half of the fourteenth century. To this manuscript also a special interest attaches, for it was at one time in the possession of Giovan Giorgio Trissino, and was the original from which he made his Italian version of Dante's treatise, the form in which the latter was for the first time printed in 1529. A large number of the corrections in this manuscript, both on the margins and in the text itself, are in the handwriting of Trissino, who evidently made a careful study of it.

Upon his collations of these manuscripts Professor Rajna has based his text, while he has at the same time availed himself of such assistance as was to be derived from Trissino's translation, and from the various printed editions. Of the latter there have been about a dozen, the best known being those of Torri (1855), Fraticelli (1857), and Giuliani (1878); the most recent, as we have already observed, is that included in the Oxford edition of the complete works of Dante, published three years ago under the editorship of Dr. Edward Moore, Principal of St. Edmund Hall, Oxford.

It must be explained with regard to the subjoined collation that mere variations of spelling have been for the most part disregarded, as have been differences of punctuation, except where these happen to be of real importance. The passages given in the left-hand column are from the Oxford text (0), references being to book, chapter, and line (e.g. I. ii. 3); those in the right-hand column are from Rajna's text (R), references in this case being to book, chapter, and paragraph (e.g. II. iii. § 4).

PROFESSOR RAJNA'S CRITICAL TEXT OF THE DE VULGARI ELOQUENTIA.

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R.

General title. De Vulgari Eloquio.

Incipit liber de Vulgari Eloquio,³ sive idiomate, editus per Dantem.

- I. i. title. Quid sit vulgaris locutio, et quo differat a grammatica.
 - I. i. 14. Sed accipiendo vel compilando ab aliis, potiora miscentes.
 - 22. eam qua infantes
 - 34. Harum quoque duarum
- I. ii. 7. necessarium fuit:
 - 22. si obiciatur de iis qui corruere
 - 24. cum de his
 - 27. Secundo et melius,
 - 48. moverent organa sua, sic et vox
 - 62. si expresse dicenti resonaret etiam pica,
- I. iii. 16. quia cum aliquid a ratione accipere
 - 21. quia si tantum
 - 26. natura sensuale quidem, in quantum sonus est;

- Omitted.
- i. § 1. sed, accipiendo vel compilando ab aliis, potiora miscentes,
 - § 2. eam quam infantes
 - § 4. Harum duarum
- I. ii. § 1. necessarium fuit loqui:
 - § 3. si obiciatur de hiis qui corruerunt cum de hiis Vel secundo et melius.
 - § 5. moverunt organa sua, sic ut vox
 - § 6. si expresse dicenti "Pica" resonaret etiam "Pica," 4
- I. iii. § 2. quia, cum de ratione accipere quare, si tantum
 - § 3. nam sensuale quid est, in quantum sonus est;³
- ⁸ The original title was *De Vulgari Eloquentia*, as may be gathered from what Dante himself says (V. E. l. l. § 1; xi. § 2; Conv. l. 5): as well as from Villani's and Boccaccio's references to the treatise.
- 4 The omission of the first *fica* here in the modern edd, is due apparently to its omission by Trissino in his version.
- ⁵ Natura is a substitution of Corbinelli for nam. It seems better by a slight modification of the MS. reading, viz. quidē (—quidem) for quid ê (—quid est), to read "nam sensuale quidem" instead of "nam sensuale quid est" with R.

- I. iv. 23. prius a viro quam a foemina profluisse. Rationabiliter
 - 26. Quod autem
 - 34. per ipsum factus
 - 45. si responsio fuit, fuit ad Deum; et si ad Deum fuit,
 - 55. quo etiam gubernata sunt omnia.
 - 59. ut tonitrua personeat, ignem fulgoreat,
 - I. v. 3. ad ipsum Deum
 - 12. primum hominem
 - 29. nostrorum effectuum
 - I. vi. 4. non aliter intelliguntur
 - 13. huic etiam prae cunctis proprium vulgare licebit, idest maternam locutionem, praeponere: et per consequens
 - 21. ratione magis quam sensu scapulas
 - 36. unde sum oriundus
 - 47. nisi culpa
 - 50. hac forma locuti sunt
 - 60. id quod primi loquentis labia fabricaverunt

R.

- I. iv. § 3. vel prius quam a viro, a femina profluisse. Rationabiliter ⁶
 - § 4. Quid autem in ipsum factus
 - § 5. siresponsio fuit ad Deum: nam, si ad Deum fuit, quo etiam gubernata sunt omnia? ut tonitrua personet, ignem fulgoret,⁷
 - I. v. § 1. ad ipsum Dominum
 - § I. primum nostrum
 - § 2. nostrorum affectuum
- I. vi. § 1. non aliter intelligantur
 - § 2. hic etiam pre cunctis proprium vulgare licetur, idest maternam locutionem, et per consequens ⁸
 - § 3. rationi magis quam sensui spatulas unde sumus oriundus
 - § 4. in culpa
 - § 5. hac forma locutionis locuti sunt 9 illud quod . . . fabricarunt.
- I. vii. 6. Oh semper nostra natura
- I. vii. § 1. O semper natura nostra

⁶ As R. remarks, profluisse is curious. For rationabiliter the MSS, read rationaliter.

⁷ The MSS. read *personeat*, *fulgoreat*; the correction adopted by R. is due to Giuliani.

⁸ The reading *licebit . . . pracponere* instead of *licetur* (which he did not understand) was introduced into the text by Corbinelli, the origin of it being Trissino's rendering *sarà licito preporre*.

⁹ Fraticelli and subsequent editors omit *locutionis* for no good reason.

R.

- I. vii. 10. per primam . . . eliminata
 - 15. et poenas malorum quae commiseras
 - 18. Non ante tertiam
 - 23. per superbiam suam et stultitiam
 - 27. sed et ipsum
 - 29. Sennaar,
 - 34. quis pater tot sustineret
 - 39. Si quidem
 - 42. pars amussibus tegulabant, pars trullis linebant, pars scindere rupes, pars mari, pars terrae intendebant vehere,
 - 60. nunc et barbarius
 - 62. sanctum idioma

- I. vii. § 2. per primam . . . eluminata ¹⁰ et que commiseras ¹¹
 - § 3. Non ante tertium per superbam stultitiam 12
 - § 4. sed etiam ipsum Sennear,
 - § 5. quis patrum tot sustineret
 - § 6. Siquidem

 pars amysibus regulabant, pars trullis linebant,
 pars scindere rupes, pars
 mari, pars terra vehere
 intendebant, 13
 nunc barbariusque
 - § 7. sacratum vdioma
- I. viii. 1. Ex praecedenti memorata
 - 4. tunc homines primum
 - humanae propaginis principaliter
 - tales protracta est, unde primitus
- I. viii. § 1. Ex precedenter memorata tunc primum homines

humane propaginis principalis 14

demumque ad fines occidentales protracta, forte primitus ¹⁵

10 The MS. reading cluminata (i.e. 'deprived of light') is rightly retained by R. Torri, followed by Fraticelli in his later editions, substituted climinata, which was rejected at first by Giuliani in favour of climitata, but restored in his final corrections.

11 The MSS, read et commiseras. Corbinelli inserted poenas malorum quae. The que (= quae) supplied by R. meets the difficulty, while its omission in MSS, is easily accounted for, as he points out.

12 MSS, per superbiam stultitiam.

18 The reading tegulabant for regulabant is due to Torri, who misread the MSS. Trullis for the MS. tuillis is a correction of Witte's.

14 R. reads principalis in obedience to the MSS.; otherwise he would have accepted principaliter, the reading of Corbinelli, as more suited to the context.

16 Est was supplied by Fraticelli, who followed Torri in omitting que. Forte is a correction of R.'s for the MS. fore, for which Corbinelli substituted unde, after Trissino's la onde.

R.

- I. viii. 14. advenae
 - 15. repedassent,
 - 20. partem Europae, partem Asiae
 - 21. Ab uno postea eodemque idiomate, immunda confusione recepto,
 - 25. totum quod ab ostiis est Danubii sive Meotidis paludibus usque ad fines occidentales (qui Angliae, Italorum, Francorumque finibus, et Oceano limitantur) solum unum obtinuit idioma;
 - 49. mare, terram, et vivit, moritur, amat, et alia
 - I. ix. 6. Et quia . . . salubrius breviusque
 - alia deserentes. Nam quod in uno est rationale, videtur in aliis esse causa.

- I. viii. § 2. avene ¹⁶

 repedissent, ¹⁷

 partim Europe, partim

 Asie ¹⁸
 - § 3. Ab uno postea eodemque ydiomate in vindice confusione recepto, 19 totum quod ab hostiis Danubii sive meotidis paludibus usque ad fines occidentales Anglie, Ytalorum Francorumque finibus et Occeano limitatur, solum unum optinuit ydioma, 20
 - § 5. mare, terram, est, vivit, moritur, amat, alia
- I. ix. § 1. Quia . . . salubrius breviusque ²¹ alia desinentes; nam, quod in uno est, rationali videtur in aliis esse

¹⁶ R. thinks avene not a mere error for advenae, but regards it as a derivative of a + venire, in the sense of *che viene da*, or *di fuori*, used purposely by way of antithesis to advenissent in the same line. (See Appendix.)

17 In his text R. reads repedassent, because of repedare (I. xii. § 5), but in a supplementary note (p. ccii) he reverts to the MS. reading repedissent, inasmuch as both repedere and repedare are found. (See Appendix.)

18 The restoration of partim...partim, which had been altered into partem...partem in G, whence it was adopted by Corbinelli and his successors, is almost certainly right, it being the difficilior lectio, which can hardly have been substituted for an earlier partem...partem; but the construction is a difficult one.

¹⁹ R.'s correction in vindice for immunda of the printed edd. is happy, the MS. readings being imundice (T), inundice (G), which are evident corruptions of a primitive inuindice.

2) The departure from the MS. reading, now rightly restored by R., was due to Fraticelli.

21 For salubrius here Giuliani arbitrarily substitutes securius.

²² Various emendations of this passage have been proposed. R.'s rationali for the MS. rationale involves the smallest amount of change.

I. ix. 16. quod convenimus

23. Gerardus de Borneil:

24. 'Si m sentis fizels amics Per ver encusar Amor.'

26. Rex Navarriae :

28. Dom. Guido

20. 'Nè fe amor'

30. 'Nè cor gentil, prima ch'amor'

41. Caietani.

43. Burgi S. Felicis

45. sermonum varietates quae accidunt, una eademque ratione patebunt.

61. in eo quod diximus temporum distantia locutionem variari, sed potius

71. prospicere

75. quanto longiora

77. admiramur. si extimationes

80. sub invariabili . . . sermone.

94. nil aliud

I. x. 1. Trifario nunc exeunte

27. quod qui dulcius

29. et domestici

31. quia magis videntur

35. iudicium reliquentes

43. quod, ceu fistulae culmen. hinc inde ad diversa stillicidia grundat, et aquae ad alterna hinc inde litora

R.

I. ix. § 2. quia convenimus

§ 3. Gerardus de Brunel:

Sim sentis fezelz amics. Per ver encusera Amor.

Rex Navarre:

Dominus Guido

Ne fa amor

Ne gentil cor prima che amor

§ 4. Caetani. Burgi Sancti Felicis

sermonum varietates, quid accidunt, una eademque

ratione patebit.

§ 6. in eo quod diximus "temporum," sed potius 23

percipere

quam longiora

admiremur si extimatio-

nes 24

sub immutabili . . . sermone.

§ 7. nichil aliud

I. x. § 1. Triphario nunc existente

§ 4. quod dulcius qui ac domestici quia magis videtur

§ 5. judicium relinquentes

§ 6. quod, ceu fictile culmen hinc inde ad diversa stillicidia grundat, aquas ad alterna hinc inde litora

²⁸ The interpolation of distantia locutionem variari is due to Torri, who did not recognize that the word "temporum" was a quotation from what D. had just been saying.

²⁴ For extimati nes Giuliani unnecessarily substitutes aestimati nes.

per umbricia longa distillant.

- I. x. 47. Dextrum quoque
 - 52. Marca Anconitana
 - 66. cum Anconitaneis
 - 69. cum Aquileiensibus
 - 72. Quare non a minus quatuordecim

I. xi. title. Ostenditur Italiae aliquos

- I. xi. I. Tam . . . latino
 - 8. existimant
 - 12. Dicimus ergo
 - 17. Me sure, quinte dici
 - 19. sciate siate
 - 28. 'Una ferina va scopai da Cascoli çita çita sen gì a grande aina.'
 - 30. Bergomates
 - 34. 'In te l' ora'
 - 35. 'Ziò fu'
 - 36. Aquileienses
 - 37. Çes fastù
 - 38. eructant.
 - 39. eiciamus,

R.

per imbricia longa distillat,²⁵

- Dextrum quidem
- I. x. § 6. Marchia Anconitana 26
 - § 7. cum Anconitanis cum Aquilegiensibus
 - § 8. Quare ad minus .xiiij.27

Ostenditur in Italia aliquos

- I. xi. § 1. Quam . . . latio
 - § 2. extimant

Dicimus igitur

Mezzure, quinto dici? 28

§ 3. scate sciate?

Una fermana scopai da Casciòli, Cita cita sen gia'n grande aina.

§ 4. Pergameos 29

Enti l' ora

cid fu

§ 5. Aquilegienses

Ces fastu?

eructuant.

eicimus,

²⁵ For fistule culmen, the reading of the MSS., which does not give a satisfactory sense, R. substitutes fictile culmen (i.e. the ridge of a tiled roof), a very happy conjecture of Professor Vitelli; this necessitates the further slight alteration of the MS. grundant, distillant into grundat, distillat.

²⁶ R. substitutes *Marchia* for the MS. *Marca* in order to be in agreement with the *Ianucnsis Marchia* and *Marchia Trivisiana* of the context; but he elsewhere tolerates other inconsistencies, such as *locuntur* and *loquuntur*, *Ystrianos* and *Istria*, and the like.

²⁷ Modern edd., from Fraticelli downwards, interpolate non, and either omit ad or substitute a,—an uncalled for interference with the text.

²⁸ Fraticelli, on the strength of a note of Corbinelli's, explains his reading of this phrase in the Roman dialect as 'Sorella mia, che cosa dici?' R.'s reading (that of the MSS.) *Mezzure* represents 'Messere.'

²⁹ The *Bergomates* of modern edd. is due to Fraticelli. *Pergamum*, as the Latin form of Bergamo, occurs *Epist*, VII. 6.

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I. xi. 42. Pratenses

42-3. Latini . . . Latinis

46. Domus nova, et Dominus neus

inus

I. xii. title. De idiomate Siculo et Apulo.

I. xii. 12. 'per lo foco'

14. 'longamente m' hai'

20. enitebantur.

31. Sicilia, factum est ut quicquid . . . Sicilianum vocetur:

 accipere volumus, scilicet quod proditur a terrigenis
 elicendum videtur,

50. 'Traggemi . . . bolontate.'

51. accipere nolumus, sed quod

55. sicut . . . ostendemus.

65. prospicientibus

R.

I. xi. § 5. Fratenses 30

§ 6. Latii . . . Latiis

domus nova et dominus

meus ³¹

Quod in eodem loco diversificatur idioma secundum quod variatur tempus.

I. xii. § 2. per lo focho lungiamente m' ai

> § 3. nitebantur, Sicilia, factum est, quicquid . . . sicilianum vocaretur : 82

> § 5. accipere volumus secundum quod prodit a terrigenis . . . eliciendum videtur,³³

> > Tragemi . . . boluntate. accipere volumus secundum quod 34

sicut . . . ostendimus.

§ 7. perspicientibus

89 While admitting Fratenses into his text R. is inclined to think he has been somewhat hasty in accepting it against the traditional Pratenses (see p. ccii). Assuming the former to be correct, R. would refer it to Fratta di Valle Tiberina, now Umbertide, which was well known on account of the neighbouring Camaldolese monastery of Monte Corona, of which St. Peter Damian was at one time abbot. (See Appendix.)

81 For domus nova Giuliani reads domus mea, without good reason.

⁸² The interpolation of *ut* before *quicquid* is due to a suggestion of Witte. The MSS. read *vocetur*, for which R. substitutes *vocaretur*, as being required by the sense of the passage.

It appears that scilicet for secundum is due to a misreading of the MSS.; proditur a terrigenis, Fraticelli's reading, is based apparently on a misprint in Torri, viz. proditur terrigenis: Giuliani reads proditur e terrigenis without remark, but e is perhaps a misprint (see his note).

⁸⁴ The old reading is due to Trissino, whose rendering was based apparently on a misreading of the MSS., viz. sed for secundum,

I. xii. 67. 'dir vi voglio'

69. 'vo' sì lietamente.'

71. neque Apulum

I. xiii. title. De idiomate Tuscorum et Ianuensium.

I. xiii. 1. Post hos

2. infruniti.

4. plebeorum . . . intentio,

10. Brunetum

19. ' Manuchiamo introcque: Non facciamo altro'

22. 'di Fioransa'

24. 'in gassara . . . Luca.'

26. 'rinegata . . . Siena.'

35. sensimus,

48. ammitterent 38

49. reperire 39

I. xiv. title. . . . Transpadanis . . .

I. xiv. 2. laevam Italiam cunctam venemur.

6. convenientiis

9. mollitiem

R.

I. xii. § 7. dire vi voglio 35 vo sì letamente

§ 8. nec apulum

Quod in quolibet idiomate sunt aliqua turpia, sed pre ceteris tuscum est turbissimum.36

I. xiii. § 1. Post hoc infroniti. plebea . . . intentio,

Brunettum

§ 2. Manichiamo introque. - Noi non facciano atro.

De Fiorensa

in gassarra . . . Lucca.

renegata . . . Siena! Ch'ee chesto ? 37

§ 3. sentimus,

§ 4. amitterent

reparare

... transpadinis ...

I. xiv. § 1. levam Ytaliam contanter venemur.40

> § 2. convenientibus mollitudinem

85 R. places a dot under the e of dire to indicate that it is not sounded; he uses this same symbol (which is not very appropriate in an edition like the present) on several other occasions, e.g. lo (I. xv. § 5): gentile (II. v. § 4); core (II. vi. § 5).

36 The MSS, read est excelens, which is in contradiction with the contents of the chapter. R. reads est turpissimum, some such expression being wanted. The alteration was doubtless due to the outraged patriotism of a Tuscan scribe.

87 Ch'ee chesto? was omitted by Trissino, and hence by Fraticelli and succeeding editors.

38 This, the reading of Fraticelli and Giuliani, is obviously wrong, though it occurs in one MS.

89 So Fraticelli and Giuliani, misled by Trissino's trovare.

40 The MSS, read contanti; R.'s conjecture contanter (or, as an alternative, contantes) is manifestly preferable to cunctam, which is due to Corbinelli.

- habent.
 - 25. Hoc... Vicentini habent. nec non Paduani
 - 32. v consonantem
 - 34. nove,
 - 37. errore compulsus
 - 41. Inter quos unum

R

- I. xiv. 12. Hoc Romandioli omnes I. xiv. § 2. Hoc Romandiolos omnes habet.
 - § 3. Hoc . . . Vigentinos habet, nec non Paduanos. u consonantem 41 novem.
 - § 4. errore confisus 42 Inter quos omnes unum

I. xv. title. . . . Bononiensi.

- cunctari
 - 9. convicimus,
 - 13. quomodolibet
 - 14. Accipiunt etiam . . . mollitiem.
 - 17. quae propria
 - 30. oppositorum, ut dictum est, ad laudabilem
 - 33. Ita si
 - 42. Guinicelli . . . Ghiselerius ... Fabricius
 - 44. nunquam a primo 45
 - 48. 'il fermo core'
 - 40. Fabritius
 - 50. 'Lo mio'
 - 52. 'soccorso,'
 - 54. residibus
 - 68. Latinum illustre

Bononiensium.

- I. xv. 1. de Italica silva . . . per- I. xv. § 1. de ytala silva . . . percontari
 - § 2. conicimus, quomodocunque
 - § 3. Accipiunt etenim 43 . . . mollitudinem. que proprie
 - § 4. oppositorum ad laudabilem
 - § 5. Itaque, si Guinizelli . . . Ghisilerius Fabrutius 44 nunquam a proprio lo 46 fermo core Fabrutius 44

Lo meo

secorso.

§ 6. residuis Latium illustre

41 R, is certainly right in printing u here, as against the v of the previous edd.

42 MSS. confessus; R.'s emendation (he gives confusus as an alternative) is preferable to Trissino's compulsus, which was accepted by Torri and succeeding edd.

48 This is a conjecture of Giuliani for the MS. etiam, which, however, he retained in his text.

44 The name of this Bolognese poet was not Fabrizio, but Fabruzzo, as R. points out.

45 This is the MS, reading. R.'s conjecture has much in its favour. Giuliani's ab ipso is satisfactory as far as sense goes; but it is a mere arbitrary substitution, without any regard for palaeographical possibilities.

46 I. e. '/; see note 35.

I. xvi. *title*. De excellentia vulgaris eloquentiae, et quod communis est omnibus Ita-

- I. xvi. 5. redolentem ubique et ubique apparentem
 - 7. tendiculis

licis.

- 8. in omni genere rerum
- II. et illinc . . . accipiamus.
- 21. et de
- 22. scilicet quod unumquodque mensurabile sit in genere illo secundum id quod simplicissimum est in ipso genere.
- 30. illas intelligamus;
- 37. idest morum et
- 41. sunt actionum . . . sed in omnibus
- 49. Deus est, qui in homine
- 51. in hac, quam in igne:

56. in viridi

61. municipalia

I. xvii. *title*. Quare hoc idioma illustre vocetur.

R.

I. xvi. title. Quod in quolibet ydiomate est aliquid pulcrum, èt in nullo omnia pulcra.

- I. xvi. § 1. redolentem ubique et necubi ⁴⁷ apparentem tenticulis
 - § 2. in omni rerum genere
 et illud . . . accipimus: 48
 et etiam de
 scilicet, unumquodque
 mensurabile fit, secundum quod in genere est,
 illo quod simplicissimum
 est in ipso genere. 49
 - § 3. illam intelligamus; et morum et
 - § 4. sunt actiones . . . et in omnibus

 Deus est, in homine 50 in hac quam in elemento; 51 in viride
 - § 5. municipia

Quod ex multis ydiomatibus fiat unum pulcrum; et facit mentionem de Cino Pistoriensi.

50 R. passes over without remark the qui in previous edd.

⁴⁷ An excellent emendation. Giuliani reads nec usquam after Witte, and quite unjustifiably substitutes residentem (in text) or manentem (in notes) for apparentem.

⁴⁸ MSS. et illico . . . accipiamus; Giuliani, after Boehmer, ut illinc . . . accipiamus. (See Appendix.)

⁴⁹ This most acceptable restoration of the text is arrived at by the simple expedient of substituting fit for sit, and correcting the punctuation (introduced by Corbinelli).

⁶¹ The history of this passage is curious; for the MS. elemento Corbinelli printed caelo, for which Torri substituted igne, which was adopted by Fraticelli and Giuliani. The latter, in his corrections, proposes an altogether absurd reconstruction of the passage, viz. 'in Coelo, quam in elementis, in igne, quam in terra, in hac, quam in igne.'!! The restoration of the MS. reading is due primarily to Witte.

- I. xvii. 5. faciemus patere.
 - 8. Per hoc quidquid illustre . . . praefulget.
 - 32. Nonne domestici sui reges, . . . et magnates quoslibet
- xviii. title. Quare hoc idioma vocetur cardinale, aulicum et curiale.
- I. xviii. 2. vulgarem illustrem decussamus
 - et quo cardo vertitur versatur ⁵²
 - ut admoveant et removeant,
 - 17. decorari
 - 32. velut accola
- II. xix. 9. sic est invenire
- II. i. title. . . . vulgari,
 - II. i. I. Sollicitantes iterum celeritatem . . . , et ad calamum 55
 - 8. permanet firmum exemplar, et non e contrario, quia quaedam videntur praebere primatum ver-

R.

- I. xvii. § 1. facimus patere.
 - § 2. Per hoc quidem quod illustre . . . perfulgens.
 - § 5. Nonne domestici sui, reges, . . . et magnates, quoslibet

Deexcellentia vulgaris eloquentie; et quod comunis est omnibus italicis.

- I. xviii. § 1. vulgare illustre decusamus ut, quo cardo vertitur, versetur ut amoveant et admoveant,
 - decusari § 2. velut acola 88
 - I. xix. § 1. est invenire 84

vulgare,

II. i. § 1. Sollicitantes iterum celeritatem . . . ad calamum permanere videtur exemplar et non e converso, que quendam videntur prebere prima-

⁶² This reading originated apparently in a piece of carelessness on the part of Corbinelli, who printed et for ut, the change of mood being due to Maffei.

⁵⁰ R. preserves this form as having possibly a different meaning from accola.

⁶⁴ In a note on this passage R draws attention to a serious gap in Giuliani's text, a whole phrase being omitted, evidently through an oversight.

⁵⁵ This is one of the passages where O. departs from the traditional reading, viz. Pollisitantes. For celeritatem Giuliani arbitrarily reads sodulitatem, which, on the strength of Trissino's diligenza, he coolly assumes to have been the MS. reading.

Ο.

sui; ergo secundum quod

- II. i. 27. non solum bene ipsi ruditati faciet, sed ipsum sic facere oportere videtur.
 - 30. multa possunt.
 - 49. nemo enim montaninis hoc dicet esse conveniens.

 Sed optimae conceptiones non possunt esse nisi ubi scientia et ingenium est; ergo optima loquela non convenit rusticana tractantibus; convenit ergo individui gratia:
 - 66. optimis conceptionibus, ut dictum est.
 - 70. nisi in illis
 - 75. Quare . . . non omnes
 - 80. bovem ephippiatum
 - 86. perfectum
- II. ii. 8. illud quod dicimus, dignum esse quod dignitatem habet,

R.

- tum, primo secundum quod ⁵⁶
- II. i. § 2. non solum bene facere, sed ipsum sic facere oportere videtur.⁵⁷ multa possunt!
 - § 5. nemo enim montaninis rusticana tractantibus hoc dicet esse conveniens; convenit ergo individui gratia.⁵⁸
 - § 6. ut dictum est, optimis conceptionibus
 - § 7. Quapropter . . . nec omnes bovem epiphyatum ⁵⁹
 - § 8. profectum
- II. ii. §§ 1, 2. illud quod dicimus dignum. Dicimus dignum esse quod dignitatem habet.⁶⁰

 56 Here again R. restores order out of the chaos produced by the multitude of counsellors, by simply reading $qu\bar{e}dam$ (= quendam) for the MS. quedam (= quaedam). Giuliani has taken all sorts of liberties with the text in this passage; a little further on he, without a word of explanation, substitutes pollicitis sumus for polluximus, which he evidently did not understand. Further on again he similarly substitutes comprehendi for perpendi.

57 The interpolation in the previous edd. is due to Corbinelli.

⁵⁸ This passage is much confused in the MSS. R. cuts out *Sed optimae conceptiones* non possunt esse nisi ubi scientia et ingenium est; ergo optima loquela non convenit, inasmuch as these identical words recur in the text a few lines further on.

⁵⁹ This phrase, which is evidently a reminiscence of Horace, I. *Epist.* XIV. 43: 'Optat ephippia bos, piger optat arare caballus,' occurs also in the *Magnae Derivationes* of Uguccione da Pisa, with which Dante was familiar. (See *Romania*, No. 104, Oct. 1897.)

⁶⁰ R.'s repetition of *dicimus dignum* gives a satisfactory result, and is an ingenious way out of the difficulty of the MS. reading, without transgressing the limits of probability.

R.

- huius: unde cognita dignitate, cognoscemus et dignum.
 - 13. Est enim
 - 16. perventum
 - 22. sicut in aliis
 - 29. manifestum est quod dignitates inter se compar-
 - 32. et per consequens aliud dignum, aliud dignissimum esse constat.
 - 48. videlicet spiritu vegetabili,
 - 50. quod vegetabile est,
 - 73. Venus, virtus,
 - 85. 'Non puesc mudar q'un chantar non esparja'
 - 87. 'L'aura amara fa'ls broils blancutz clarzir'
 - 89. 'Per solatz revelhar Que s'es'
 - 92. ' Degno son io, che mora.'
 - 95. nullum Italum
- II. iii. 3. Volentes ergo
 - 16. digna sunt
 - 38. magis honoris afferunt suis
 - 47. Adhuc . . . comprehendit
 - 49. cum ergo . . . comprehendatur,

- II. ii. 11. cognoscitur, in quantum · II. ii. § 2. cognoscitur in quantum habituatum, cognita dignitate cognoscemus dignum.61 Est etenim profectum
 - § 3. et in aliis etiam manifestum est ut dignitates inter se comparenet per consequens, aliquid dignum, aliquid dignius, aliquid dignissimum esse constat.62
 - § 4. spiritu videlicet vegetabili. quod vegetabile quid est,
 - § 5. Venus et Virtus,
 - § 6. Non posc mudar c'un cantar non exparja amara — fal L'aura bruol brancus - clairir. Per solaz reveillar Che s'es Digno sono eo de morte. nullum latium
 - II.iii.§ 2. Volentes igitur sunt digna
 - § 5. magis afferunt suis
 - § 7. Ad hoc, ... comprendit cum igitur . . . comprendatur.

61 The emendation habituatum for MS, huius unde (if that be the correct expansion of the MS, reading) is happy, but perhaps a little hazardous. (See Appendix.)

68 The interpolation of honoris is due to Torri.

⁶² R. notes that alind dignius was omitted by an oversight from Fraticelli's edition of 1861; it was omitted also in the third edition (1873), and hence also in O. The missing phrase is supplied in Giuliani's edition.

R.

- II. iii. 55. in hoc palatur, quod quicquid artis reperitur in ipsis est, sed non convertitur.

 Hoc signum autem
- II. iii. §§ 7, 8. in hoc palatur, 64 quod quicquid artis reperitur, in ipsis reperitur; sed non convertitur hoc. Signum autem

- II. iv. 1. adpotiavimus
 - 8. Et quod huc usque casualiter est assumptum,
 - 14. ergo
 - 20. fictio rethorica, in musicaque posita.
 - 22. qui magno sermone
 - 25. istos 68
 - 26. doctrinae aliquid operae nostrae impendentes, . . . poeticas
 - 31. excipere aequale,
 - 32. gravatam virtutem

- II. iv. § 1. aporiavimus 65 et qui hucusque casualiter est assumptus,
 - § 2. igitur
 fictio rethorica versificata in musicaque
 posita. 66
 quia magni sermone 67
 illos
 doctrine operam impendentes, . . . poetrias 69
 - § 3. coequare,⁷⁰ gravata virtute

64 For palatur Giuliani, without remark, substitutes patet.

65 This is a most satisfactory emendation of the MS. reading apotiauimus,—a word which has been a great stumbling-block to the editors. Both aporiari and aporiare (act. and neut.) were in use in mediaeval Latin. Ducange quotes the following lines from an old grammarian as to the distinction between the two:—

Aporio, si sit activum, tanta notabit, Indicat et aperit, depauperat atque revelat. Cum neutrum, signat tunc anxior atque laboro. In sensu et tali deponens vult reperiri.

66 R. interpolates versificata to complete the definition, and also because the -que (if that be the correct expansion of the symbol in the MSS.) indicates that a word is missing. We much prefer, however, his alternative conjecture, which necessitates no interpolation, and is quite legitimate, palaeographically, viz. fictio rethorica musice composita. (See Appendix.)

67 Corbinelli reads quia magno sermone; Fraticelli, Torri, Giuliani, quia isti magno s.; the reading of O. is due to Prompt.

68 This reading of Fraticelli and Giuliani is not noted by R.

63 The interpolations in the traditional text are due to Corbinelli. R.'s emendation necessitates merely the alteration of the MS. operi into operam; but we are inclined to favour his alternative operi intendentes. (See Appendix.)

73 A satisfactory restoration of the right reading.

R.

- II. iv. 34. in principio Poeticae 'Sumite materiam' etc. dicit.
 - 37. discretione potiri
 - 39. induimus
 - 44. cantionem ligare
 - 46. et eius
 - 49. omittamus
 - 55. Sed quia,
 - 66. et pure
 - tensis fidibus adsumat secure plectrum et cum more incipiat.
 - 69. Sed cantionem, atque discretionem hanc, sicut decet, facere, hoc opus
 - 77. confiteatur eorum stultitia
 - 80. a tanta.

- II. iv. § 3. in principio Poetrie, Sumite materiam dicit.
 - § 4. discretionem potiri inducimus 71
 - § 5. cantionem oportet ligare ⁷² et huius obmittamus
 - § 6. Et quando,
 - § 7. ac pure
 tensis fidibus, adsumptum secure plectrum tum
 movere incipiat.⁷⁸
 Sed cautionem atque discretionem habere, sicut
 decet, hoc opus⁷⁴
 confiteantur eorum stultitiam
 et a tanta
- II. v. 8. nullum adhuc invenimus carmen in syllabicando endecasyllabum transcendisse.
 - 13. pentasyllabum et eptasyl.
- II. v. § 2. nullum adhuc invenimus in carmine sillabicando endecadem transcendisse, pentasillabum, eptasillabum et
- 71 R. here notes a remarkable instance of the untrustworthiness of Giuliani, who reads intelligimus and justifies it as follows: 'il Cod. Vaticano ha per l'appunto intelligimus, siccome nel Volgarizzamento v'è intendemo'—it will scarcely be credited, after these explicit statements, that the passage in question is wanting both in V and in Trissino's version! Giuliani's emendation of the next two lines, which he claims to be a restoration of the genuine reading, is a further proof of his incapacity and want of self-restraint as an editor.
 - 72 Another excellent emendation.
- 78 R. here very happily gets rid of what he justly calls 'quel ridicolo cum more' of the MSS. and printed edd.
- 74 The interpolation of facere is due to Corbinelli, who did not see that the abbreviated hanc of the MSS, was an evident corruption of abbreviated habere. It is surprising that cantionem should not have been corrected long ago.

R.

II. v. 20. speciositas

22. ubicumque ponderosa multiplicantur, et pondus.

25. incipientes

26. de Bornello:

27. 'auziretz . . . chantars.'

34. rithmus 78

37. Navarriae

42. 'Al cor gentil ripara'

43. Messina

44. 'longiamente m'hai'

46. 'lietamente'

48. 'giammai'

50. 'muovi tua virtù dal cielo.'

51. Et licet hoc endecasyllabum celeberrimum carmen, ut dictum est, videatur

61. Enneasyllabum

63. parisyllabos

75. quomodo ligare

II. v. § 3. specimen 75

ubicumque ponderosa multiplicantur, multiplicatur et pondus.⁷⁶

§ 4. principiantes 77

de B.,

ausirez . . . cantars.

rithimus

Navarre

Al cor gentile repara 79

Messana

lungiamente m' ài

letamente

già mai

movi tua vertù da cielo.

§ 5. Et licet hoc quod dictum est, celeberrimum carmen, ut dignum est, videatur 80

§ 6. Neasillabum parisillaba

§ 7. quomodo viere 81

⁷⁵ The uncalled-for substitution of speciositas is due to Witte.

⁷⁶ R. does well to supply multiplicatur, which might easily have dropped out, especially as multiplicantur ends a line (in T); the construction is very harsh without it.

⁷⁷ Obviously preferable to Fraticelli's incipientes, the MS. reading being principantes.

 $^{^{78}}$ This appears to be merely a reproduction of a misprint in Fraticelli, who elsewhere prints $\it rithimus$ (see II. 9).

⁷⁹ See note 35.

⁸⁰ R. thus satisfactorily, by the help of T, restores the text which had been mutilated by Corbinelli.

⁸¹ This is one of the most satisfactory of R.'s restorations, although, as he explains in a prefatory note (p. cciii), it occurred to him too late to be inserted in his text. The MSS. apparently read *inere;* his first conjecture (printed in the text) was *innectere;* the right solution was suggested by a passage in Uguccione (quoted on p. clxxv), in which the derivation of *anctor, autor*, is discussed, — the same passage of which Dante makes use in the *Convivio* (IV. 6). Uguccione says: 'invenitur quoddam verbum defectivum, scilicet *avico-es*, ideas ligo-as.' The simple verb occurs, as R. points out, in St. Isidore of Seville, who in the *Etymologiae* (VIII. vii. 3), in discussing the derivation of *vates* says: '*Vates* a vi mentis appellatos, Varro auctor est: vel a viendis carminibus, id est flectendis, hoc est modulandis.

R.

- II. vi. *title*. De varia constructione, qua utendum est in cantionibus.
 - II. vi. 6. modum cantionum
 - 15. hic quinque
 - 20. digressionis 82
 - 23. quia inferiorem
 - 36. Piget me cunctis, sed pietatem maiorem illorum habeo, quicumque
 - 43. sua magnificentia praeparata cunctis illum facit esse dilectum.
 - 48. Totila serus
 - 56. Navarriae
 - 57. 'Dreit Amor qu'en'
 - 59. 'm'abelhis...pensamens.'
 - 60. Harnaldus Daniel:
 - 61. 'qui . . . sobrafan, que m sortz.'
 - 62. Hamericus de Belinoi:
 - 63. 'no pot . . . adreitamen.'
 - 64. Hamericus
 - 65. 'que per sobrecarcar.'
 - 67. 'di folle impresa allo'

Quod ex cognitione diversorum auctorum perficitur scientia poetandi vulgariter.

- II. vi. § 1. modum cantionarium
 - § 2. .v. hic
 - § 3. discretionis quia nec inferiorem ⁹³
 - § 4. Piget me, cunctis pietate maiorem, quicunque 84

sua magnificentia preparata cunctis, illum facit esse dilectum.⁸⁵ Totila secundus.⁸⁶

§ 5. Navarre 87

Ire d'amor qui en m'abellis... pensamen; Arnaldus Danielis, che... sobraffan chem sorz; Namericus de Belnui, non pot... addrecia-

men; Namericus

che per sobre carcar de folle 'mpresa, a lo

... Viere enim antiqui pro vincire ponebant.' Viere is also given by Uguccione, who says: "Viere, ses, vievi, vietum, idest vincire, ligare." The ligare of the printed edd. is due simply to a gloss in G.

82 Here O., following G, abandons the correct reading printed by Fraticelli and Giuliani.

88 The omission of nec in all the printed edd. appears to have been due to an oversight on the part of Corbinelli.

84 R. restores the MS. reading, but there is evidently something wrong.

⁸⁵ It is difficult to decide what should be the punctuation of this passage. R. is inclined to think that a second *cunctis* has possibly dropped out.

86 There can be little doubt as to the correctness of this emendation.

87 R. thinks this quotation is out of its place; he inserts it between the Provençal and Italian quotations.

- II. vi. 68. Cavalcanti.
 - 69. 'di doglia cuor convien'
 - 71. 'Avenga ch' io non aggia'
 - 80. Ovidium in Metamor-phoseos,
 - 83. Tullium, Livium, Plinium,
 - 86. Desistant ergo
 - 87. Guidonem
 - 89. desuetos plebescere.
- II. vii. title. Quae sint ponenda vocabula, et quae in metro vulgari cadere non possunt.
- II. vii. 12. quaedam pexa et irsuta, quaedam lubrica et reburra
 - 21. bona ratione . . . per alta declivia
 - 23. Intuearis ergo, lector, quantum
 - 34. propter asperitatem, ut gregia, et caetera;
 - 44. immediate post mutam locatam, quasi loquentem
 - 47. virtute, . . . letizia, . . . difesa.
 - 53. st, vo,

R.

- II. vi. § 5. Cavalcantis
 - de doglia core⁸⁸ conven Avegna che io aggia
 - § 6. Ovidium Metamorfoseos,

Titum Livium, Plinum,⁸⁹

Subsistant igitur Guittonem

plebescere desuetos!

Distinctio vocabulorum; et que sint ponenda, et que in metro vulgaria cadere non possunt.

- II. vii. §. 2. quedam pexa et lubrica, quedam irsuta et reburra
 - § 2. bone rationi, . . . per altera declivia
 - § 3. Intuearis ergo, lector: attende, quantum
 - § 4. propter hausteritatem, ut greggia et cetera; 90
 - § 5. inmediate post mutam, dolata ⁹¹ quasi, loquentem

vertute, ... letitia, ... defesa. 92

§ 6. sì, no,93

88 See note 35.

89 So the MSS. The Tullium of Fraticelli, etc., is due to Trissino.

⁹⁰ In a prefatory note (p. cciii) R. expresses a doubt as to whether the correct reading should not be 'ut greggia et cetra.'

91 The MSS. read *mutam dolatam*, for which Witte conjectured *mutam locatam*; this was accepted by Fraticelli. Giuliani, without hesitation, reads *duplicatam*.

92 R. does not note that Fraticelli and Giuliani read difesa.

98 MSS. uo, but R. seems undoubtedly right in reading no, in accordance with a suggestion of Boehmer.

II. vii. 60. onore, ... alleviato, impossibilitate, ... avventuratissimamente,

69. onorificabilitudinitate,

R.

II. vii. § 6. honore, . . . alleviato, impossibilità, impossibilitate, . . . inanimatissimamente, 94 honorificabilitudinitate,

II. viii. title. Quid sit cantio, et quod pluribus modis variatur.

modis variatur eloquentia vulgaris, set precipuum est per cantilenas, sive cantiones.

Ostendit quod pluribus

II. viii. 6. quid sit

- 17. vel prout passio.
- 22. Aeneidos
- 31. magis ideo prorsus denominari
- 53. ballatae et sonitus, et omnia cuiuscumque modi verba sint armonizata . . . dicimus.
- 58. liquentes,
- 64. generale videatur,
- 67. cantio, prout nos quaerimus, in quantum per superexcellentiam dicitur, est aequalium stantiarum
- 72. cum diximus :
- 73. 'ch' avete intelletto'
- 74-9. Et sic patet quod cantio sit, . . . molimur.
- 80-5. Quod autem dicimus . . . intendimus ⁹⁰

- II. viii. § 1. qui sit
 - § 3. vel prout est passio.
 - § 4. Eneidorum

 magis immo prorsus

 denominari
 - § 6. ballatas et sonitus, et omnia cuiuscunquemodi verba scilicet armonizata...dicemus. linquentes, generale videtur,
 - § 7. cantio, in quantum per superexcellentiam dicitur, ut et nos querimus, est equalium stantiarum

cum dicimus :

che avete intellecto

§ 8. Et sic patet quid cantio sit, . . . molimur.

⁹⁴ There can be little doubt that R. is right in thus correcting the MS. mammatissi-mamente.

⁹⁶ R. transposes these two paragraphs, reading 'Quod autem dicimus . . . intendimus. Et sic patet . . . molimur.'

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- II. ix. title. Quae sint principales in cantione partes, . . . pars est.
- II. ix. 12. stantia, hoc est mansio capax vel receptaculum totius artis.
 - 22. innotescit
 - 32. minime liceret quod dictum est.
 - 34. quod est artis, comprehendetur ibi cum dicemus partium habitudinem.
 - 36. hic 97 colligere possumus
- II. x. title. Quid sit cantus stantiae, et quod
- II. x. 17. sed in modo diversari videtur;
 - 21. sine dieresi; et dieresim
 - 28. 'ed al gran'
 - 29. dieresim . . . dieresis . . . dieresim vel post vel utrimque. 99
 - 33. dieresim . . . stantiam
 - 37. dieresim
- xi. title. De habitudine stantiae, de numero pedum et syllabarum,
 - II. xi. 3. haec enim
 - 7. Incipientes ergo

R.

Ponit que sint partes in cantione, . . . pars sit.

- II. ix. § 2. stantia hoc est mansio capax, sive receptaculum totius artis.
 - § 4. minime liceret: quod dictum est. quod est ars, illud comprenditur ibi cum dicimus "partium habitudinem." 96
 - § 5. sic colligere possimus

Ostendit quid sit stantia, et quod

- II. x. § 2. sed in modis diversificari videntur; sine diesi; et diesim 98 e al gran
 - § 3. diesim . . . diesis . . . diesim, 98 vel post vel undique.

 diesim 98 . . . stantias
 diesim 98

De numero pedum et sillabarum,

- II. xi. § 1. hec etenim
 - § 2. Incipientes igitur

 $^{^{96}}$ As R. points out, these last two words must be regarded as a quotation, otherwise they could hardly stand.

⁹⁷ This appears to be due to a mere piece of carelessness on the part of Corbinelli.

⁹⁸ There can be no doubt as to what the MS. reading represents. The substitution of dieresis for diesis throughout this chapter, in which it occurs seven times, is due to Torri.

⁹⁹ Witte is responsible for this needless alteration.

- II. xi. 8. frons cum versibus, et pedes cum syrmate sive cauda, et quidem pedes cum versibus
 - 17. quilibet versus dimeter,
 - 22. 'della mente'
 - 28. Et quemadmodum dicimus versus superare posse carminibus et syllabis frontem, sic dici potest frontem in his duobus posse superare versus: sicut quando quilibet versus esset duobus eptasyllabis metris, et frons esset pentametra duobus endecasyllabis et tribus eptasyllabis contexta.
 - 38. 'muovi tua virtù dal cielo'
 - 43. posse superare carminibus et syllabis superari, et e contrario,
 - 47. in stantia esse tres pedes et duos versus, et tres versus et duos pedes :
 - 50. simul contexere.
 - 60. quia iterum 102
- II. xii. title. fiant stantiae, . . . in carminibus.

R.

- II. xi. § 2. frons cum versibus, pedes cum cauda vel sirmate, nec non pedes cum versibus 100
 - § 3. quilibet versus esset dimeter.

de la mente

Et quemadmodum dicimus de fronte, et de versibus posset dici; possent etenim versus superare frontem carminibus, et sillabis superari; ut si quilibet versus esset trimeter, et eptasillaba metra, et frons esset pentametra, duobus endecasillabis et tribus eptasillabis contexta. 101

§ 4. movi tua vertù da cielo

posse superare carminibus sillabis superatam, et e converso.

- § 5. esse in stantia tres pedes et duo versus, et tres versus et duo pedes; similiter contexere.
- § 7. quin iterum

fiant cantiones, . . . in carmine.

100 The reading of the previous edd. was due to an accidental omission of Corbinelli, which was supplied by Fraticelli by means of Trissino's version.

101 The MS, text of this passage is very corrupt. R. by an interpolation, which he more or less satisfactorily justifies, has effectively emended it.

102 Quia, which is certainly wrong, was due originally to a misprint in Maffel's edition, whence it was copied by Fraticelli. The mistake was corrected by Torri and Giuliani.

R.

- II. xii. 8. endecasyllabum scilicet, et eptasyllabum, et pentasyllabum; quae ante alia sequenda astruximus.
 - 17. 'mi prega'
 - 18. diximus:
 - 19. 'intelletto d' amore.'
 - 20. dico Hispanos qui poetati sunt in vulgari oc.
 - 22. Hamericus de Belinoi:
 - 23. 'adreitamen.'
 - 31. haec est
 - 34. uno eptasyllabo
 - 41. Fabritium
 - 42. 'Di fermo'
 - 46. 'Lo mio'
 - 50. procedere
 - 54. dico in pedibus,
 - 55. pedibusque versibusque
 - 63. 'Donna mi prega, perch' io voglio dire.'
 - 65. 'm' ha'
 - 69. Hoc satis hinc, lector, sufficienter eligere potes qualiter tibi habituanda sit stantia: habitudo namque circa carmina consideranda videtur.
 - 72. Et hoc etiam

- II. xii. § 2. endecasillabum scilicet, eptasillabum, et pentasillabum; que trisillabum 103 ante alia sequi astruximus.
 - § 3. me prega
 dicimus,
 intellecto d' amore.
 dico Yspanos, qui poetati sunt in vulgari oc.
 Namericus de Belnui,
 adrechamen. 104
 - § 4. hee sunt
 - § 5. uno solo eptasillabo
 Fabrutium 105
 De fermo
 Lo meo
 procedisse
 - § 6. dico "pedibus," pedibus versibusque
 - § 7. Donna me prega,

m'à

- § 10. Satis hinc, lector, sufficienter eligere potes qualiter tibi habituanda sit stantia habitudine que circa carmina consideranda videtur. 106
 - § 8. Hoc etiam

¹⁰⁸ The omission of *trisillabum*, which R. now restores to the text, was due in the first instance to Trissino; he was followed by Corbinelli and all subsequent edd.

¹⁰⁴ An obvious correction, hitherto overlooked.

¹⁰⁵ See note 44. R., noting that here D. names only two poets, but gives three examples, thinks a name has been omitted; he would supply *Guidonem Guinizelli* in front of the other two.

¹⁰⁶ This passage (which he emends by substituting habitudine que for habitudo namque, and altering the punctuation) is placed by R. at the end of the chapter.

O.

- II. xii. 77. pars trimetra
 - 80. sic pars altera, extrema endecasyllaba et medium eptasyllabum habeat:
 - 85. quemadmodum de pedibus dicimus et de versibus:
 - 87. illi ante, hi post dieresim
 - 92. sic de duobus, et de pluribus
- II viii title. De relatione rithimorum, . . . in stantia.
 - II. xiii, 6. quaedam reseranda
 - 7. stantia sive rithimus.
 - 12. 'Si m fos Amors, de joi donar tan larga.'
 - 13. diximus:
 - 14. 'Al poco giorno, ed al gran cerchio d'ombra.'
 - 28. ore tenus intimavit.
 - 37. diversos rithimos faciunt esse
 - 38. post dieresim
 - 49. omnis apta licentia
 - 60. in praemediato capitulo
 - 64. omni modo

R.

- II. xii. § 8. pes trimeter 107 et pes alter habeat seeptasillabum cundum et extrema endecasillaba: 108
 - § 9. quemadmodum de pedibus, dicimus et de versibus: hii ante, hii post diesim 109 sic de pluribus,

De varietate rithimorum; ... in cantione.

- II. xiii. § 2. quedam resecanda stantia sine rithimo.110 Sem fos Amor de joi donar: 111 dicimus. Al poco giorno.111
 - § 3. oretenus intimavit.112 diversos faciunt esse rithimos
 - § 4. post diesim 113
 - § 5. omnis optata licentia
 - § 6. in preinmediato capitulo omnimode

¹⁰⁷ This correction of the MS. reading (pars trimeter) had already been made by Trissino; but it was overlooked by Corbinelli and succeeding edd.

¹⁰⁸ The emendation of this passage is due to Boehmer.

¹⁰⁹ See note 98.

¹¹⁰ MSS, sine rithimos. Giuliani reads sine rithimis. The correction, made originally by Boehmer, was much needed.

¹¹¹ R. omits the concluding words of each of these lines, as being wanting in the MSS.

¹¹² Giuliani arbitrarily reads intonavit.

¹¹⁸ See note oS. In this and the following passage Giuliani has taken unwarrantable liberties with the text.

O.

- II. xiii. 68. innovari
 - 69. dum tamen
 - 71. trimetrum
 - St. desinentium
 - 83. videtur quae . . . huic appendere capitulo,
 - 88. reperiri
 - 92. nascentis militiae dux, 115
 - 95. visi sumus
- II. xiv. title. De numero carminum et syllabarum in stantia.
 - II. xiv. 1. Ex quo quae sunt
 - 6. videre oportet aliquid, et aliquid dividere, quod postea secundum partes
 - 8. Nostra ergo
 - 11. quaedam non: cum ea quae
 - 16. quandoque contentive canere contingit. Quae circa sinistrum sunt verba . . . ad extremum. 118

R.

- II. xiii. § 6. innovare dumtaxat trimetri
 - § 7. desinentiarum 114
 - § 8. videtur ut, que . . . huic appendamus capitulo, potiri nascentis militie dies. nisi sumus

Omitted.

- II. xiv. § 1. Ex quo duo que sunt 116 videre oportet aliquid: deinde secundum partes 117
 - § 2. Nostra igitur quedam non. Nam cum ea que quandoque contemptive canere contingit, que circa sinistra sunt verba ... ad extremum ...

¹¹⁴ This correction is due to Giuliani.

¹¹⁵ Here O. unadvisedly adopts Giuliani's substitution of dux for dies.

¹¹⁶ R. interpolates duo as being wanted to complete the sense.

¹¹⁷ The interpolations in the text of previous edd. were due to Corbinelli.

¹¹⁸ The full stop at the end in O. is a mistake due to the printers, the sentence being broken off in the middle.

APPENDIX.

The foregoing collation of Professor Pio Rajna's critical text (R) of the De Vulgari Eloquentia with that of the Oxford Dante (O) was already in type when the edizione minore of Professor Rajna's text made its appearance. In this new edition (which was to some extent the outcome of a suggestion made by the present writer in a review of the larger work in Romania*) Professor Rajna has introduced several important modifications of the text. A collation of the emended passages (some two dozen in number), as they stand in the edizione minore (R²), with the text of the previous edition (R¹) is given below, and will enable the student to see at a glance wherein the emendations consist. Some of these are comparatively insignificant, but not a few of them, on the other hand, are of real importance, and undoubtedly tend to the improvement of the text.

PAGET TOYNBEE.

R1.

- I. iv. § 3. ab eo qui statim ipsum plasmaverat.
 - § 5. Orituret hic ista questio, cum dicimus superius per viam responsionis hominem primum fuisse locutum, si responsio fuit ad Deum: nam, si

R 2.

ab eo qui statim plasmaverat 119

Oritur et hic ista questio, cum dicimus superius per viam responsionis hominem primum fuisse locutum: si responsio, fuit ad Deum? Nam, si ad Deum 1200

^{*} Romania, No. 101, January, 1897. Professor Rajna says in his preface: 'Mentre del trattato De Vulgari Eloquentia vengo preparando l'edizione già annunziata con commento dichiarativo, mi è parso opportuno di ridar fuori il testo critico in un'edizione minore, accessibile a tutti per la tenuità del costo, e di comodo uso. Che l'opportunità ci sia davvero, mi è stato confermato dall'assenso di coloro al quali mi accadde di comunicare il mio disegno, e dal desiderio che di una edizione siffatta ebbe a manifestare spontaneamente, nel rendereconto della maggiore in un recente fascicolo della Romania (xxvi. 125), quel valente cultore degli studi danteschi che è il Paget Toynbee.'

^{110 (}O. I. iv. 25) R. now rejects the interpolated if sum, which is not in T, and is a later insertion in G.

^{120 (}O. I. iv. 43) The improvement in the punctuation of this passage is due to Professor Parodi.

R1.

 viii. § 2. Sed, sive avene tunc primitus advenissent, sive ad Europam indigene repedassent,

> § 3. per diversa vulgaria derivatum,

I. ix. § 6. quem exolescere non videremus.

I. x. § 4. Tertia, que Latinorum est,

I. xi. § 5. Casentinenses et Fratenses.

I. xii. title. Quod in eodem loco diversificatur idioma secundum quod variatur tempus.

I. xiv. § 4. Veneti quoque nec sese investigati vulgaris honore dignantur; etsi quis eorum, errore confisus, vanitaret in hoc, recorR 2.

Sed, sive advene tunc primitus advenissent, sive ad Europam indigene repedissent,¹²¹

per diversa vulgaria dirivatum, ¹²²

quem exolescere non videmus. 123

Tertia quoque, que Latinorum est,¹²⁴

Casentinenses et Pratenses.¹²⁵

Omitted.126

§ 4. Veneti quoque nec sese investigati vulgaris honore dignantur; et si quis eorum, errore confisus, vanitaret in hoc, recorde-

121 (O. I. viii. 13) R. here abandons the form avene, which he previously favoured (see above, note 16), and reverts to the MS. reading repedissent for reasons already given in a supplementary note to the larger edition (see above, note 17).

122 (O. I. viii. 32) The reading dirivatum (T), as against derivatum (G), is supported by a reference to Uguccione da Pisa, who (s.v. Ruo) distinguishes between derivare and dirivare as follows: 'Derivare est rivum de fonte ducere; sed dirivare est fontem in diversos rivulos ducere. Dirivatur ergo grecismus in latinitatem, idest, quasi fons in rivulos ducitur; sed latinitas derivatur a grecismo, idest, quasi de fonte ducitur.' In the difference of reading between T and G here, R. sees an additional proof of their independence of each other.

128 (O. I. ix. 72) R., in substituting videnus for viderenus (which is the MS. reading), follows Corbinelli and the old edd.

124 (O. I. x. 25) Tertia quoque, que had already been proposed by R., as an alternative reading, in a note in the larger edition; his adoption of it now in the text is due to Professor Parodi.

125 (O. I. xi. 42) Here R. abandons a reading the adoption of which in his previous edition he acknowledges to have been somewhat hasty (see above, note 30).

126 The title here does not correspond to the contents of the chapter; R. has consequently done well to relegate it to the footnotes. O., following Fraticelli, substitutes *De idiomate Siculo et Apulo*, which was primarily due to Trissino.

R1

R 2.

detur si unquam dixit, Per le plage de Dio, tu non veras. Inter quos omnes . . . Ildebrandinum paduanum. § 5. Quare, omnibus vulgare illustre.

- I. xv. § 6. si Latium illustre venamur,
- I. xvi. § 2 omnia comparentur et ponderentur; et illud aliorum omnium mensuram accipimus: sicut in numero
 - § 4. in impari numero magis redolet quam in pari;
- I. xviii. § 1. frutices de ytalica silva?
- i. § 1. ad calamum frugi operis redeuntes,
 - § 2. utrum versificantes vulgariter debeant

tur si unquam dixit, Per le plage de Dio, tu non veras. § 5. Inter quos omnes . . . Ildebrandinum paduanum. § 6. Quare, omnibus . . . vulgare illustre. 127

si latinum illustre venamur, 128

omnia comparentur et ponderentur, et quod velut aliorum omnium mensuram accipiamus; sicut in numero ¹²⁹ in impari numero redolet

magis quam in pari; 130 frutices de ytala silva? 181 ad calamum frugi operis

redeuntis, 182 utrum versificantes omnes vulgariter debeant 133

¹²⁷ (O. I. xiv. 35-48) Inasmuch as *Inter quos omnes* does not refer to *Veneti* only, but to all the peoples who have been mentioned in the course of the chapter, R. alters the distribution of his paragraphs accordingly.

128 (O. I. xv. 68) R. here reverts to the reading of previous edd., which in his former text he had abandoned after a good deal of hesitation. Adopting a suggestion of Professor Parodi, he explains *latinum* in this case as standing for *latinum vulgare*.

129 (O. I. xvi. 10-12) None of the emendations of this difficult passage is altogether satisfactory. R. now restores to the text the accipianus of the MSS., and for et illud reads et quod velut, which he evolves, with a certain plausibility, from the MS. et illico.

180 (O. I. xvi. 54) The inversion magis redolet for redolet magis, in the previous edition, was due to a slip on the part of R. This divergence between O. and R. was overlooked in the collation.

181 (O. I. xviii. 12) R. reads ytala for ytalica here, as he had already done in a previous passage (in which the same phrase occurs, l. xv. § 1) in his former edition.

182 (O. II. i. 2) The slight improvement involved in reading redeuntis for redeuntes is due to Professor Parodi.

188 (O. II. i. 14) R. justifies the insertion of *omnes* (which was interpolated by Trissino, first on the margin of his MS. and then in his translation) by a reference to §§ 2, 6, 7 of this chapter and to § 1 of the next.

R1

- II. ii. § 2. et si cognito habituante habituatum cognoscitur in quantum habituatum, cognita dignitate cognoscemus et dignum.
 - § 4. homo tripliciter spirituatus est, spiritu videlicet vegetabili, animali et rationali,
- II. iii. § 7. Ad hoc, in artificiatis
- II. iv. § 2. nichil aliud est quam fictio rethorica versificata in musicaque posita.
- II. iv. § 2. Unde nos, doctrine operam impendentes,
 - § 4. debemus discretionem potiri,
- II. v. § 7. quomodo innectere quis debeat

 \mathbb{R}^{2} .

et si cognito habituante habituatum cognoscitur in quantum huiusmodi, cognita dignitate cognoscemus et dignum.¹³⁴ homo tripliciter spirituatus est, videlicet vegetabili, animali et rationali, ¹³⁵

Ad hec, in artificiatis ¹³⁶ nichil aliud est quam fictio rethorica musice composita. ¹³⁷

Unde nos, doctrine operi operam impendentes,¹³⁸ debemus discretione potiri,¹³⁹

quomodo viere quis debeat¹⁴⁰

¹⁸⁴ (O. II. ii. 10-13) The reading *huiusmodi* for the MS. *huius unde* is happier still than the *habituatum* adopted in the previous edition (see above, note 61). R. quotes examples of the use of the phrase *in quantum huiusmodi*, from the *Summa* of Aquinas, and from a mediaeval Latin version of Aristotle's *Analytica Posteriora*.

185 (O. II. ii. 48) R. now rejects the *spiritu* (interpolated by Fraticelli after a suggestion of Witte) as unnecessary, the adjectives *vegetabili*, *animali*, *rationali* being used here substantively in the neuter, a use which he parallels exactly from Albertus Magnus.

¹⁸⁶ (O. II. iii. 47) Ad hec is preferred by R. to Ad hoc as being more consonant with mediaeval usage.

137 (O. II. iv. 20) We had already expressed our preference for the reading now adopted by R. (see above, note 66), and are pleased to find that the expression of our opinion was instrumental in bringing about the abandonment of the interpolated versificata. R. says: 'ho finito per rinunziare alle aggiunte e per inalzare agli onori del testo un' altra congettura che avevo esposto in nota, la quale ha avuto frattanto l'approvazione del Paget Toynbee, secondo mi dice una sua lettera.'

 138 (O. II. iv. 26) This reading R. had already proposed as an alternative in his previous edition.

189 (O. II. iv. 37) R. now admits himself to have been ill advised in substituting the acc. for the abl., *potiri* (like *uti*, its synonym) being constructed with either case in mediaeval Latin.

 140 (O. II. v. 75) The restoration of *viere* to the text is now happily accomplished (see above, note 81).

R1.

- II. vi. § 6. tot reductis auctoribus ad memoriam;
- II. vii. title. que in metro vulgaria cadere non possunt.
- II. vii. § 4. ut greggia et cetera;

R 2.

tot reductis autoribus ad memoriam; 141

que in metro vulgari cadere non possunt.¹⁴²

ut greggia et cetra; 148

 141 (O. II. vi. 75) For the distinction between *auctor* and *autor* see Conv. IV. vi. $_{14-49}$ and above, note 81.

142 R. now accepts the correction (vulgari for vulgaria) of previous edd., which he rejected in his previous edition.

148 (O. II. vii. 34) See above, note 90.



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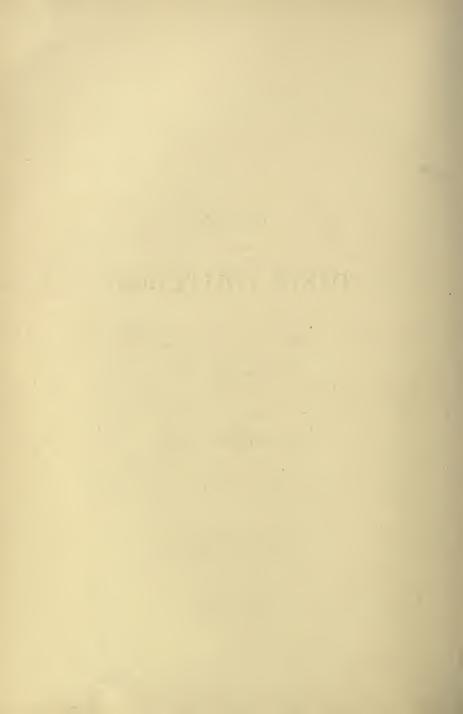
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WORKS OF DANTE.

Comento di Christophoro Landini fiorent | ino sopra la Comedia di Danthe Ali | ghieri poeta fiorentino. At end: Impresso in Firenze per Nicholo di Lorenzo | della Magna a di. xxx. da | gosto. M.CCCC.LXXXI. f°. ff. (372). 2 engrav.

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- †Dante, con nvove et vtili ispositioni. Aggiuntoui di più vna tauola di tutti i vocaboli più degni d'osseruatione, che a i luoghi loro sono dichiarati. Lyone, G. Rouillio. 1552. sm. 8°. pp. 644 + (12). Reissue of the ed. of 1551.
- *Dante, con nvove et vtili ispositioni. Aggiontoui di più vna tauola di tutti i vocaboli più degni d'osseruatione, che à i luoghi loro sono dichiarati. Lione, G. Rouillio. 1571. sm. 8°. pp. 627 + (12). Reprint of the ed. of 1551.
- La divina commedia, con gli argomenti, allegorie e dichiarazioni di L. Dolce. Aggiuntovi la vita del poeta, il Rimario e due indici utilissimi. [Edited by P. A. Scrassi.] Bergamo, P. Lancellotti. 1752. 12°. pp. xxiv+640.

From the Ticknor bequest.

- †La divina commedia, tratta da quella che pubblicarono gli Accademici della Crusca l' anno 1595, col comento del p. P. Venturi. Venezia, G. B. Pasquali. 1772. 3 vols. bd. in one. sm. 8°.
- †La divina commedia, con gli argomenti, allegorie, e dichiarazione di L. Dolce. Aggiuntovi la vita del poeta, il rimario, e due indici utilissimi. [Edited by P. A. Serassi.] Venezia, S. Occhi. 1774. 12°. pp. xxiv +635.

Reprint of the 1752 ed.

- La divina commedia. Milano, Mussi. 1808-10. 3 vols. 32°. From the Ticknor bequest.
- †La divina commedia. Milano, Mussi. 1809. 3 vols. 12°.
- †La divina commedia, con gli argomenti, allegorie, e dichiarazione di L. Dolce. Aggiuntovi la vita del poeta, il Rimario e due indici utilissimi, e nuovamente corretta. [Edited by P. A. Serassi.] Venezia, S. Occhi. 1810. 12°. pp. xxiii+635. Reprint of the 1752 ed.
- †La divina commedia, col comento del p. P. Venturi. Edizione conforme al testo cominiano del 1727. Lucca, F. Bertini. 1811. 3 vols. 24°.
- La divina commedia. Edizione formata sopra quella di Comino del 1727, con indici ricchissimi composti da G. A. Volpi. Venezia, Vittarelli. 1811. 2 vols. 16°. (Collezione d'alcuni classici italiani.)

Vol. i contains the text, vol. ii, the indices. From the Ticknor bequest.

La divina commedia, col comento del p. P. Venturi. Edizione conforme al testo cominiano del 1727. Firenze, Niccolò Carli. 1813. 3 vols. 12°.

From the Ticknor bequest.

†La divina commedia. Firenze, Libreria di Pallade. 1818. 3 vols. bd. in one. 32°. Port. (Collezione dei quattro primi poeti italiani. Dante.)

The fourth volume, with title "Annotazioni della Divina commedia," is

La divina commedia, col comento di G. Biagioli. Milano, Silvestri. 1819. 3 vols. 8°.

From the Ticknor bequest.

- La divina commedia, con brevi e chiare note. [Edited by F. Macchiavelli, with illustrations by G. G. Macchiavelli.] Bologna, Gamberini e Parmeggiani. 1826. 3 vols. 4°.

 From the Ticknor bequest.
- †La divina commedia, con nuovi argomenti, annotazioni da' migliori comentatori scelte ed abbreviate, e coll' accento di prosodia, ai dilettanti e scolari dell' italiana favella devotamente dedicata da P. Cicchetti. Londra, C. S. Arnold. 1827. 24°. Front. pp. viii + 602.
- †Opere poetiche, con note di diversi. [Edited by A. Buttura.]
 Parigi, Baudry. 1836. 2 vols. 8°. Port. (Collezione de'
 migliori autori italiani antichi e moderni. 4, 5.)
 Reissue of the ed. of 1823.
- †La divina commedia, publicata da A. Buttura. Vols. i, ii. Parigi, Baudry. 1840. 2 vols. 64°. Port. and 2 plates. (Biblioteca poetica italiana, 1, 2.)

Reprint of the Paris ed. of 1820.

- †Dante, offerto all' intelligenza dei giovanetti da P. Rotondi. Milano, [Tip. Fanfani], a spese di alcuni bibliofili. 1841. 16°. pp. 594 +(1).
- ‡La divina commedia, col comento del p. P. Venturi, con postille d'altri e la Vita scritta da L. Aretino. Ed. arricchita d'indici per opera di A. Ronna. Parigi, *Truchy*. 1841. 12°. *Table*. pp. xxi+740. Inserted are three drawings of hell, purgatory, and paradise.
- —— Same, another copy. From the Ticknor bequest.
- †Saggio di una edizione della Comedia, secondo i migliori testi e colle spiegazioni più necessarie [by M. A. Parenti]. [Inf. i.] Modena, per gli eredi Soliani. 1843. 8°. pp. 40.

"Estratto dal tomo xvi della Continuazione delle Memorie di religione, di morale e di letteratura."

- †La divina commedia, col comento di P. Costa, notabilmente accresciuto da B. Bianchi. 2ª ed., con nuove giunte e correzioni. Firenze, F. Le Monnier. 1846. 12°. pp. xxxiv +837.
- †La divina commedia, coi comenti di P. Costa e di B. Bianchi. 3ª ed., con nuove giunte e correzioni. Firenze, F. Le Monnier. 1849. 12°. pp. xxxvi+793.

- †La divina commedia, con note di P. Costa. Milano, Borroni e Scotti. 1850. 3 vols. bd. in one. 16°. Port., engr. t.-p., and fronts.
- †I quattro poeti italiani: Dante, con note del Lombardi, Petrarca, Ariosto e Tasso. Napoli, F. Rossi. 1852. 8°. Ports. pp. 747 +(2).

Pp. 1-172, La divina commedia, secondo la lezione del p. Lombardi.

†La commedia, illustrata da U. Foscolo. [Edited by "Un Italiano," i.e., G. Mazzini.] Torino, *Tip. economica.* 1852. 4 vols. 8°. (Biblioteca dei comuni italiani.)

Reprint of the London ed. of 1842-43; the corrections spoken of by Mazzini in his note to vol. iii of the latter have been made, and the omitted variants are given in their proper places.

†La divina commedia, col comento di G. Biagioli. 3ª ed., con rami, e indice dei nomi e cose notabili. Napoli, *Giosuè Rondinella*. 1854. 3 vols. 16°. *Port*. and 3 *plates*.

Reprint of the Naples ed. of 1845.

†La divina commedia, novamente riveduta nel testo e dichiarata da B. Bianchi. 5ª ed., corredata del Rimario. Ed. stereotipa. Firenze, F. Le Monnier. 1857. 16°. pp. xxiv+744+112.

With the exception of pp. 743 and 744, Aggiunte e correzioni, the above is

a reissue of the 1854 ed.

- *La divina commedia, col comento di G. Biagioli, preceduta da due lezioni tratte dalla Storia delle belle lettere in Italia di P. Emiliani-Giudici. Ed. curata da G. de Stefano. Napoli, F. Rossi-Romano. 1858. l. 8°. Port. and 3 plates. pp. lxxv+527+(2).
- *La divina commedia, col comento di R. Andreoli. 2ª ed. interamente rifatta. Napoli, *Stamperia nazionale*. 1863. l. 8°. pp. xxii +682.
- †La divina commedia, all' intelligenza di tutti; studio d' un Solitario [i.e., P. I. Lambri di Longiano]. 3ª ed., colla giunta delle varianti. Firenze, P. Fioretti. 1864. 2 vols. 16°. Front. and port. of editor.

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†La divina commedia, col comento di P. Fraticelli. Nuova ed., con giunte e correzioni, arricchita del ritratto e de' cenni storici intorno al poeta, del Rimario, d' un indice e di tre tavole. Firenze, G. Barbèra. 1865. sm. 8°. Port. and 3 plates. pp. 723+cxxx. Reissue of the ed. of 1864.

- †La divina commedia, col comento di G. Biagioli. Ultima ed. emendata e diligentemente corretta con rami incisi a bella posta da rinomati artisti e con indice dei nomi e cose notabili. Vol. ii. Napoli, Gabriele Rondinella. 1868. sm. 8°.
- Divina commedia; trascritto microcalligrafico a mano libera senza uso di lente [by F. Cossovel]. Gorizia, F. Cossovel. 1883. 1 sheet. 15½ × 21¾ in. Port.
 Gift of Prof. C. E. Norton.
- †La divina commedia, con note di P. Costa e d'altri più recenti comentatori. Milano, *Guigoni*. 1888. 3 vols. bd. in one. 16°. Reprint of the ed. of 1863.
- ‡La divina commedia. Edizione minore fatta sul testo dell' edizione critica di C. Witte. Ed. 2^a. Berlino, R. v. Decker. 1892. sm. 8°. Port. pp. 537+(1).

Very careless reprint of the ed. of 1864. Dr. Moore writes that he has noted fully three hundred misprints.

- *La divina commedia, con note tratte dai migliori commenti per cura di E. Camerini. Ed. stereotipa, 19ª tiratura. Milano, E. Sonzogno. 1894. sm. 8°. pp. 430+(1).
- ‡La divina commedia; testo comune, colle variazione dei codici, publicati da C. Witte. 1ª edizione americana. Boston, Lee e Shepard. 1894. 8°. Port. pp. (9) +545.

 Reissue of the Boston ed. of 1867.
- *La divina commedia, con il commento di T. Casini. 4ª ed., riveduta e corretta. Firenze, G. C. Sansoni. 1895. sm. 8°. pp. xvi +820+(1).

Reviewed by G. A. Venturi in *Bullettino della Società dantesca italiana*, ott.-nov. 1895, n. s., vol. iii, pp. 1-6;—by G. L. Passerini in *Giornale dantesco*, 1896, an. iv, pp. 75-77.

La divina commedia, riveduta nel testo e commentata da G. A. Scartazzini. 2ª ed., riveduta, corretta e notevolmente arricchita coll' aggiunta del Rimario perfezionato del dott. L. Polacco. Milano, U. Hoepli. 1896 [95]. sm. 8°. pp. xx+1034+122.

Gift of the editor and publisher.

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1895, vol. xl, pp. 481-482; — by P. Toynbee in Romania, avril, 1896, tom. xxv.
pp.328-332; — by P. Toynbee in the Academy, April 11, 1896, vol. xlix. pp. 299-

- 301; [by A. R. Marsh] in the *Nation*, April 16, 1896, vol. lxii, pp. 310-311; in the *Athenæum*, June 27, 1896, p. 843; by G. L. Passerini in *Giornale dantesco*, 1896, an. iv, pp. 75-77; by F. X. Kraus in *Literaturblatt für germanische und romanische Philologie*, Mai, 1897, Jahrg. xviii, col. 171-172.
- †Dante di giorno in giorno; raccolta-diario di pensieri e sentenze dalle opere dell' Allighieri, con scelte traduzioni francesi, tedesche, e inglesi; con una lettera di Ruggero Bonghi, e prefazione di Alessandro d' Ancona. [Compiled by E. Levi.] Firenze, etc., Loescher & Seeber. 1894. obl. 24°. pp. xi+(3)+412. Port.
- [Dante; selections.] (In Casini, T. Libro di letteratura italiana per le scuole normali maschili e femminili. 2ª ed. interamente rifatta. Vol. i. Bologna. 1895. sm. 8°.)
- †Similitudini tratte dalle tre cantiche della Divina commedia. Padova, tipografia e fond. Cartallier. 1837. 16°.
- †La divina commedia, compendiata nelle parte narrativa e descrittiva ad illustrazione della galleria dantesca. [Roma. 1860.] 8°. pp. (4)+38.

The Galleria dantesca, planned by Romualdo Gentilucci of Rome, consisted of 27 pictures by Filippo Bigioli, and other artists, illustrating as many episodes in the Divina commedia.

Frammenti danteschi. [Edited by M. Pelaez.] (In Giornale dantesco. 1896. An. iv, pp. 349-355.)

Purg. vii; xxi. 67-136; xxiv. 1-42; xxv. 1-66; from "codice 93 della Sezione Biblioteca nell' Archivio di stato di Lucca," containing miscellaneous fragmentary writings of the 13th and 14th centuries.

‡Inferno, condensed [from the translation by J. A. Carlyle]. Edited with introduction and notes by I. White. New York, *Maynard*, *Merrill & Co.* (cop. 1894). 16°. pp. 48. (English classic series, No. 147.)

Inserted is a letter from the editor.

- [‡]The vision; or, Hell, Purgatory, and Paradise. Translated [with notes] by H. F. Cary. Chicago. [18—.] sm. 8°. Front. and plates.
- †The vision; or, Hell, Purgatory, and Paradise. Translated by H. F. Cary, with a life of Dante, chronological view of his age, additional notes, and an index. London, etc. 1891. 8°.
- ‡The divine comedy; or, Vision of Hell, Purgatory, and Paradise. Translated by H. F. Cary, with a life of Dante, chronological view

of his age, selected explanatory notes, and index. New York. [1891.] sm. 8°.

‡Francesca da Rimini: Inferno, canto v, verses 73-123; an attempt at a literal translation in blank verse [by J. W. De Peyster]. New York [privately printed, 1885].

Inserted are two letters from the translator.

- †The divine comedy, translated by H. W. Longfellow. London, G. Routledge & Sons. 1867. 3 vols. 1.8°.

 Reissue of the Boston ed. of 1867.
- †The divine comedy, translated by H. W. Longfellow. London, G. Routledge & Sons. 1890. 3 vols. 24°.
- †The divine comedy, translated by H. W. Longfellow. With an introduction by H. Morley. 2^d ed. London, G. Routledge & Sons. 1886. pp. xii+339.

Without notes. Inserted is a photograph of the Bargello portrait.

- †The divine comedy, translated by H. W. Longfellow. London, G. Routledge & Sons. 1893. 16°. pp. viii+(2)+760. (Sir John Lubbock's hundred books. 60.)
- ‡—— Same. London, G. Routledge & Sons. 1891. pp. viii +(2)+760.
- †The divine comedy. A version in the Spenserian stanza by G. Musgrave. Hell. London, Swan, Sonnenschein & Co., etc. 1893. sm. 8°. pp. 229.

 "Provisional edition."
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Reviewed in the Athenæum, Oct. 14, 1893, pp. 515-516; —in the Saturday review, Jan. 6, 1894, vol. lxxvii, pp. 17-19; —in the Spectator, Feb. 10, 1894, vol. lxxii, p. 206; —in the Nation, Feb. 20, 1896, vol. lxii, p. 160. Noticed in Poet-lore, 1896, vol. viii, p. 614.

See also Harper, G. M'L. Dante in Spenserian verse. 1896.

†The divine comedy, translated by C. E. Norton. [Large paper ed.] Cambridge, *Riverside Press.* 1892. 3 vols. 8°.

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†La divine comédie, traduite en français par le chevalier Artaud de Montor. 3° éd. Paris, Firmin Didot frères. 1846. 12°. pp. xxxii + 533.

The cover has the date 1845.

†La divine comédie, traduite en français et annotée par Artaud de Montor. Nouvelle éd., précédée d'une préface par Louis Moland. Illustrations de Yan' Dargent. Paris, Garnier frères. 1879. 1.8°. pp. (4) + xii + xxiv + 592. Front., plates, and wdets.

†La divine comedie, traduction nouvelle par P. A. Fiorentino. 3^d éd. Revue et corrigée, avec le texte en regard et un choix de notes historiques. Paris, etc. 1846. 16°. pp. lxxx+734.

†Premier chant de l'Enfer, [expliqué littéralement, traduit en français et annoté par B. Melzi]. *Ital.* and *Fr.* Paris. 1886. sm. 8°. pp. (4) + 19. (Les AUTEURS italiens expliqués d'après une méthode nouvelle par deux traductions françaises.)

†Göttliche Comödie, übersetzt von O. Gildemeister. 2° durchgesehene Aufl. Berlin, W. Hertz. 1891. 8°. pp. xii+551.

†Die göttliche Komödie, übersetzt und erklärt von K. L. Kannegiesser. 3° sehr veränderte Aufl. Leipzig, F. A. Brockhaus. 1832. 3 pts. bd. in 1 vol. 8°. Port. and 3 plates.

†—— Same. 5° umgearbeitete Aufl., herausgegeben von K.Witte. Leipzig, F. A. Brockhaus. 1873. 3 pts. bd. in 1 vol. 16°. Port., map, and 3 plans.

Bilder aus Dante, in deutschen Stanzen, von P. Pochhammer. (In Nord und Süd. April, 1897. Bd. lxxxi, pp. 81-86.)

"Drei ihr Lebenschicksal selbst darstellende Sünder des viii und ix Höllen-Kreises: Odysseus [Inf. xxvi. 13-142], Bertrand de Born [Inf. xxvii. 112-142], und Ugolino [Inf. xxxii. 124-139, xxxiii. 1-90]." In ottava rima.

†[Die göttliche Komödie.] Übersetzt und erläutert von K. Streckfuss. 3 Theile. Halle, bei Hemmerde und Schwetschke. 1824–26. 8°.

The general title-page is wanting in Theil i, ii.

Canti della Divina commedia, tradotti in dialetto calabrese [by V. Gallo, L. Gallucci, P. Scaglione and F. Toscani]. (In Chiara, S. de. Dante e la Calabria. 1894. pp. 105–177.)

The cantos are Inf. i, iii, v, vi, xiii, xxv (bis), xxxiii, and part of Inf. iv.

Divina commediája. A pokol; olaszból fordította és jegyzetekkel kísérte Angyal János. Budapest. [1878.] 8°. pp. xli + 283 + (1).

A pokol; fordította Gárdonyi Géza. A Molnár és Trill Pokol-körképéböl vett rajzokkal. Budapest. 1896. 8°. Port., plates, and wdcts.

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A pokol; prózaba átirta és magyarázta Cs. Papp József. Kolozsvár. 1896. sm. 8°. *Port*.

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- †De syv förste, og den treogtredivte sang af Dantes Inferno; oversatte i originalens versemaal af C. Müller. *Ital.* and *Norwegian*. Christiania. [1851.] sm. 8°. pp. iv+93+. (Indbydelsesskrift til d. off. exam. i kathedralskole.)
- Komedyi: piesn xxv. Pieklo, przeklad Teofila Lmartowicze; piesn ii. Czysca, piesn xxiii. Raju, przeklad Wtadystawa Kulczyckiego. [Kraków. 1857.] sm. 8°. pp. (19). Czas dodatek miesięczny, 1857, v. 89-107.
- *Divina comedia; traducțiune depre originală de Dómna M. P. Chitiu. Cu textulă originală, note și notitie din differiti comentatori. *Ital.* and *Roumanian*. [Vol. i.] ii. Craiova. 1883–88. sm. 8°. *Front.* and *port.*

Prose translation.

- [Адъ: комедія. Переводъ Фанъ-Дима.] С -Петербургъ, А. Е. Ландау, 1875. sm. 8°. pp. 233 + (1). (Европейскіе классики, 4.)
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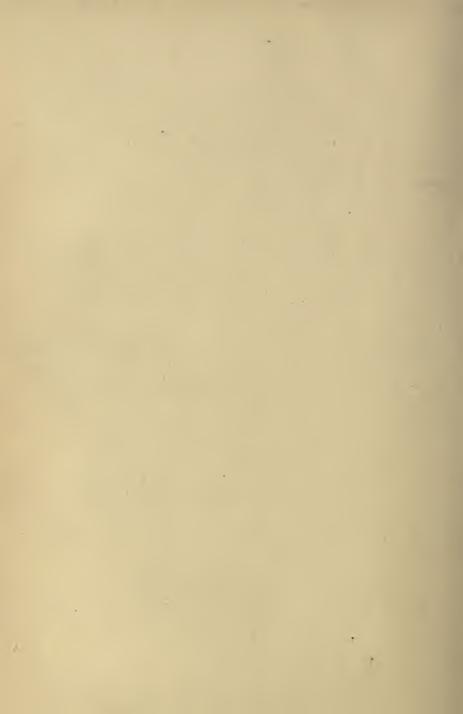
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